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SOVIETS STRIKE; ALLIES ADVANCE

Drive Ousts Finns From 80 Towns; Tank Battles Rage Near Caen

ALLIED SUPREME HEAD-QUARTERS, London, Monday, June 12 (UP).—American advance patrols have reached points less than 12 miles from Cherbourg in a drive near the coast in which they by-passed Montebourg, it was disclosed today.

ALLIED SUPREME HEAD-QUARTERS, London, June 11 (UP).—American tanks and infantry drove today into the outskirts of Montebourg, only 14 miles from Cherbourg, while an armored battle exploded along a 15-mile front westward from Caen where the Germans have retreated under a three-way pounding from land, sea and air.

From Montebourg to the Seine Bay northeast of Caen the Allied invasion front stretched unbroken for nearly 60 miles, and Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery informed troops of his 21st Army Group that they had "achieved a great success."

Bloody, swaying battles have been reported in the last 24 hours along many parts of the front but the Allies, benefitting from the closest air support ever given ground troops, until the weather closed in late today, have held their lines intact and at some points made important advances.

British troops captured Tilly Sur Seules, eight miles south of Bayeux and 12 miles inland, the deepest identified point of penetration

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GEN. BERNARD MONTGOMERY



GEN. LEONID A. GOVOROV

LONDON, June 11 (UP).—The Red Army, swinging into action four days after the Allied invasion of France, has opened its summer offensive on the Eastern Front with a drive against the Karelian Isthmus of Finland that has pierced the enemy's lines to a depth of almost 15 miles in two days, Moscow announced tonight.

The march into Finland, marking the first Soviet participation in the plan devised at the Teheran Conference to crush Germany and its satellites this year, was the first outbreak on the Russo-Finnish front in 31 months.

The Soviet offensive, opened by Gen. Leonid A. Govorov's crack Leningrad army which threw the Germans back during the winter, began Saturday and in two days of fighting the Soviet forces had captured more than 80 towns and settlements and pushed the Finns 14½ miles on a front 24½ miles wide.

TAKE TERIJOKI

The drive which broke a lull that began April 22 on the main sectors of the Eastern Front was announced tonight in an Order of the Day from Premier Joseph Stalin who ordered Moscow's 224 guns to fire a 20-salvo salute. Stalin concluded by saying: "Death to the German and Finnish invaders."

Stalin's order revealed that the Red Army had captured the town

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Marks Second Anniversary
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The Miracle at the Beachhead

By ERNIE PYLE

Representing the Combined U. S. Press

WITH ALLIED FORCES IN FRANCE, June 11 (UP).—Due to a last-minute altered arrangement, I didn't arrive on the beachhead until the morning after D-Day, after our first wave of assault troops had hit shore.

By the time we got here, the beaches had been taken and fighting had moved a couple of miles inland.

Now that it is over, it seems to me a pure miracle we ever took the beach at all. For some it was easy, but in this special sector where I now am our troops faced such odds that our getting to shore would be like me whipping Joe Louis down to a pulp.

I want to tell you what the opening of the second front in this one sector entailed so you can know and appreciate and forever be humbly grateful to those both dead and alive who did it for you.

Ashore, facing us were more enemy troops than we had in our assault waves. The advantages were all theirs. The disadvantages all ours.

The Germans were dug into positions they had been working on for months. Still they weren't yet all complete. A 100-foot bluff a couple of hundred yards back from the beach had great concrete gun emplacements built right into the hill-tops. They opened to the sides instead of the front, thus making it very hard for naval fire from the sea to reach them, and enabling the Germans to shoot parallel with the beach and cover every foot of it for miles with artillery fire.

Throughout the length of the beach, running zig-zag a couple of hundred yards back from the shoreline, was an immense V-shaped ditch, 15 feet deep. Nothing could cross it, not even men on foot, until it had been partially filled.

ETERNALLY GRATEFUL

And in other places at the far ends of the beach where the ground was flatter, they had great concrete walls which had been blasted by naval gun-fire, or by hand-set explosives after we got ashore. Our only exits from the beach were several valleys, each about 100 yards wide.

The Germans made the most of these funnel-like traps, literally sowing their bottom sides with buried mines. They contained, too, barbed-wire entanglements with mines attached, hidden ditches, and machine-guns firing from the slopes. That is what was on shore.

But our men had to go through a maze nearly as deadly before they even got ashore. The under-water obstacles were terrific. The Germans had whole fields of evil devices under the water to catch our boats.

The Germans had masses of those great, six-pronged spiders made of railroad iron and standing shoulder-high in places just beneath the surface of the water for our landing craft to run into.

In addition to these obstacles, they had floating mines in the beach waters, land mines buried on the sand beach, and more mines in checkerboard rows in the tall grass beyond the sand.

And yet we got on.

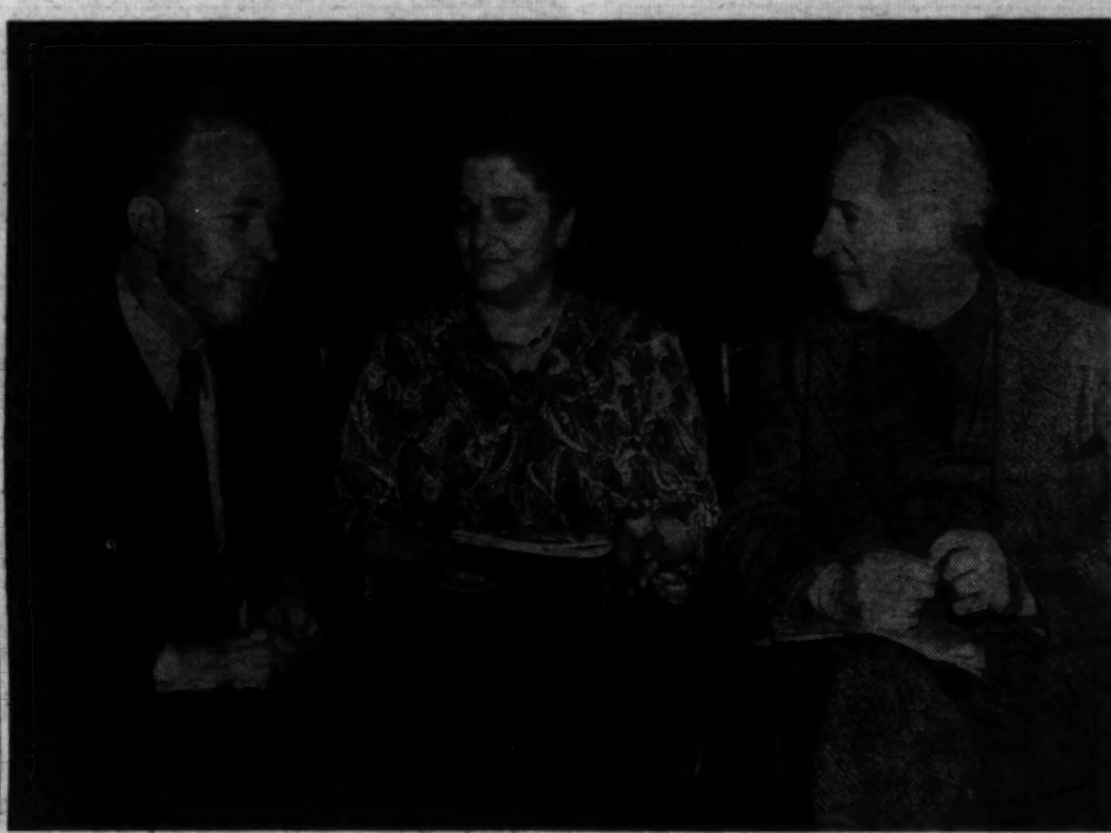
Our first waves were on that beach for hours instead of a few minutes, before they could begin working inland.

The first crack in the beach defense finally was accomplished by the terrific, and wonderful, naval gunfire which knocked out the big emplacements.

When the heavy fire stopped, our men were organized by their officers and pushed on inland, circling machine-gun nests and taking them from the rear.

And these units that were so battered and went through such hell still right at this moment are pushing on inland without rest, their spirits high. Their tails are up.

They figure the rest of the army isn't needed at all, which proves their judgment is bad. But it certainly is the spirit that wins battles, and eventually wars.



Among the prominent guests at the State CPA convention Saturday which dissolved the New York Communist Party and re-affiliated to the newly-formed national CPA were Dr. Fred W. Killian, left, and Dr. Carol Aronovitch, extreme right. Neither Dr. Killian, of the National Probation Assn. nor Dr. Aronovitch, eminent authority on housing and Columbia University lecturer on Intellectual Housing, is a member of the CPA. In center is Dr. Bella V. Dodd, member of the national committee of the CPA.

Central Park a Battlefield as Army Display Opens 5th War Loan

By LOLA PAINE

New Yorkers stared wide-eyed at Yank bulldozers, tractors, blockbuster bombs, troop sleeper, kitchen and medical cars, field cannon and other weapons of war as a 13-acre display of military equipment was opened by the Army Service Forces yesterday in Central Park. The exhibit will be on daily, for 12 days, from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Immediately preceding the ceremonies, Mayor LaGuardia officially launched the Fifth War Loan Drive, telling his radio audience and the great crowds in the park that this kind of fighting equipment, so desperately needed to back up the invasion, costs billions in war bonds. New Yorkers have a \$4,167,028,000 quota to meet.

Most spectacular of the exhibits was a sham battle staged by the Quartermasters Corps. Eighteen soldiers, six in American uniform, six in German and four in Japanese, went into "combat" on a simulated battlefield, complete with foxholes, shell craters, barbed wire entanglements and a reconstructed "Nazi village." Batteries of amplifiers produced battle sound effects and the spectators were duly impressed when small explosives "went off" like real bombs, shells and land mines.

Throughout the exhibits, attention was called to the superiority of American production, equipment and techniques. Captured enemy equipment was placed side by side with American and proved inferior upon examination. The Medical Corps display, for example, showed American use of blood plasma and pointed out that, as far as is known, the Nazis and Japanese do not use it.

Earlier a battalion of 1,200 men from Fort Bragg, N. C., march up Fifth Avenue for review by the Mayor, Robert P. Patterson, Under Secretary of War, Daniel W. Bell, Under-Secretary of the Treasury, Lieut. Gen. Brehon Somervell, commanding the Army Service Forces, and Maj. Gen. Thomas A. Terry, commanding the 2nd Service Command. Another parade—of Army, Navy, New York Guard, the WAC, Waves, veterans' and civic groups—marched in the Bronx.

Backing the Attack

CHICAGO, June 11.—The Illinois CIO, speaking for 300,000 war workers, wired President Roosevelt a pledge of increased production.

CIO Leaders Protest Radio Censorship of Its Programs

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, June 11. — CIO leaders today expressed resentment at increased restrictions on labor's use of the radio to bring its message to the people.

Philip Murray, president of the CIO, asked Niles Trammell, president of the National Broadcasting Company for an explanation of the network's action in terminating the regular Sunday afternoon CIO-AFL Labor for Victory program.

The Daily Worker revealed recently that NBC shut off the labor program on the eve of the elections on the ground that the CIO now supports President Roosevelt and is no longer "non-partisan."

While expressing appreciation of NBC's attitude in the past, Murray wrote Trammell that he feared NBC's action means "still further restrictions on labor's already restricted" use of the radio.

Murray's letter, as quoted in CIO

News, asked if NBC's policy is now that any labor broadcast is "political" and therefore not entitled to free time.

If this is the case, Murray said, it would, when added to existing limitations, "deprive labor of all freedom of the air" except to the extent that it is able to purchase time.

Murray said that the CIO must reserve the right to question whether any network which denies labor full expression is "operated in the public interest."

This was a suggestion that the CIO might challenge licenses of radio stations and networks which are granted by the Federal Communications Commission on the premise that they serve the public interest.

At the same time, R. J. Thomas, president of the United Automobile Workers, protested in a brief filed to the FCC against censorship of an address by UAW vice president Richard Frankenstein by Station WHKC in Columbus.

Soviets Open Drive in Karelia

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and large rail station of Terijoki, anchor of the Mannerheim Line in the 1939-40 winter war. Terijoki is on the Leningrad-Vilpuri-Helsinki railroad. It is 26 miles northwest of Leningrad, five miles inside the Finnish border and 51 miles southeast of Vilpuri.

Six miles northeast of Terijoki and one mile over the curving border the Soviet advance overran the town of Yappilae.

Stalin said the offensive was supported by the "masked blows" of Soviet artillery and airplanes and that the infantry pierced a long-established, strongly-fortified defense line to score their first major gains against the Finns since the latter marched to war on the side of Germany on June 27, 1941, five days after the Nazis struck into the Soviet Union.

Stalin announced that units which distinguished themselves in the opening phases of the drive would be awarded the titles "Lenin-grad units."

The scope of the offensive was indicated by the fact that Stalin identified units fighting under 21 generals, led by Gen. Leonid Govorov, who commanded the Soviet artillery which tore the Mannerheim Line apart in the final Soviet offensive of February, 1940.

The fighting is now 47 miles south of the frontier established after the 1939-40 war, the peace terms of which awarded the Karelian isthmus and Vilpuri to the Soviet Union.

Green Elected President of New York CPA

By MAX GORDON

Problems of reconversion and contract termination must be solved now if industrial chaos and civil strife are to be avoided during the war, the New York State convention of the Communist Political Association warned yesterday.

The Association wound up a two-day meeting at Manhattan Center at which the state organization of the Communist Party was dissolved and the Association formed.

A state committee of 69 was elected, including 11 in the armed forces. Eleven alternates were elected to serve in their place.

Gilbert Green, state secretary of the dissolved Communist Party state organization and a vice-president of the national committee of the Association, was elected state president.

Seven vice-presidents were chosen, including Israel Amter, Fred Briehl, Peter V. Cacchione, Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., Bella V. Dodd, Rev. Eliot White and Rose Wortis. William Lawrence was elected secretary, and David Leeds treasurer.

Resolutions were adopted on the reconversion problem, on the 1944 elections, on Puerto Rican independence and on state finances. The resolution passed by the state Communist Party convention calling for the freedom of Morris U. Schappes, anti-fascist fighter in jail as a result of the Rapp-Coudert legislative inquiry, was reaffirmed.

Special resolution was adopted greeting the Negro Freedom Rally at Madison Square Garden on June 26. Wires were sent to appropriate congressional committees urging passage of the Marcanonio resolution for recognition of Italy and the Dickstein resolution asking establishment of free ports for refugees.

WORTIS GIVES REPORT

Problems of Association organization and education were discussed during the morning session. Major stress was laid on increasing circulation of the press supporting the Association program, specifically the Worker and the Daily Worker.

The report on reconversion was delivered by Rose Wortis, former state trade union director of the Communist Party and a member of the Association's national committee.

Miss Wortis stated that the recent shutdown at Brewster Aeronautical Company plants could have been avoided if provisions of the Baruch report on reconversion had been acted upon sooner. Labor, she said, was not sufficiently alert in supporting the report and its recommendations.

She told the convention that close to a million workers and 730 new York City establishments are engaged in munitions industry. The city administration has done an outstanding job in planning for postwar construction, she claimed.

She warned that failure to make provisions for new workers drawn into war industry, including Negroes and women, would be a source of strife and disunity.

Urgent federal legislation, she claimed, were the Kilgore measure providing for supplementary interim unemployment benefits for workers displaced in the reconversion process, and the Wagner-Murray-Dingell bill for expanded social security.

Specific measures for pushing national program on the problem have been taken by Queens trade unions, supported by Mayor LaGuardia and Queens borough president James Burke, Harold Simon, president of Local 1227 of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers Union and a delegate, told the convention. The Mayor is heading a delegation to Washington Friday to canvass the New York situation, he said.

Nazi Rout Spreads In Italy; Yanks Gain, Avezzano Captured

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Italy, June 11 (UP).

The German rout in Italy spread to all sectors of the front today as British 8th Army forces captured the road junction of Avezzano, 48 miles east of Rome and American troops of Lieut. Gen. Mark W. Clark's Fifth Army pounded 15 miles north from Viterbo to the northeastern corner of Lake Bolsena to within 88 miles of the city of Florence.

Other Fifth Army forces smashed 12 miles up the Tyrrhenian coastal highway and occupied the town of Montalti Di Castro, 70 road miles northwest of Rome. Allied minesweepers occupied the island of San Stefano, 80 miles from the Italian capital.

Pescara, an excellent port, was taken by Indian units of the 8th Army. The Indians earlier captured Francavilla, five miles down the coast.

Eight miles inland from Pescara, the British took the provincial capital of Chieti to give them possession of all German strongholds on a 27-mile line from Pescara to Sulmona.

Hitting between Siena and Lake Bolsena, Allied planes destroyed 139 motor vehicles and damaged 77 and blew up three rail bridges and ten road bridges. Tanks, guns and armored cars also were destroyed.

Italy Cabinet Maps War Tasks

ROME, June 11 (UP).—The cabinet of new Italian Premier Ivanoe Bonomi announced today that its "supreme task" will be the waging of war against Germany and its first act the convocation of an elected constituent assembly.

The cabinet, which yesterday broke tradition in assuming office by declaring allegiance to the fatherland instead of to the House of Savoy, said the assembly would draft a new national constitution as soon as all Italian territory is freed from the Germans.

The Constituent Assembly will be elected by universal suffrage, directly and by secret ballot, the cabinet said.

The government will be established in Rome as soon as Allied authorities feel the military situation permits the transfer of government ministries from previously liberated southern Italy.

Morning newspapers today gave prominent display to the speech by the secretary general of the Socialist Party, Pietro Nenni, in which he attacked the monarchy during a demonstration of 20,000 people here in commemoration of the assassination of Giacomo Matteotti.

WASHINGTON, June 11.—Rep. Vito Marcantonio's congressional resolution asking U. S. recognition and lend-lease for the new Italian government comes up before the House Foreign Affairs Committee Tuesday morning. Many Italian-American and trade union organizations have made known their intention to testify in favor of this act.

Beat Japanese Back On Imphal Road

KANDY, Ceylon, June 11 (UP).—Allied forces have repulsed Japanese counter-attacks at both ends of the Imphal-Kobima road, inflicting heavy casualties as they smashed what appeared to be a last desperate blow by the enemy before abandoning the area, it was announced tonight.

Soviet Press Hails 2 Years Of American Lend-Lease

MOSCOW, June 11 (UP).—The U. S. has sent the Soviet Union 8,500,000 tons of war material and food valued at \$5,357,000,000 in two and a half years under the Lend-Lease program, the Commissariat of Foreign Trade disclosed today, as the official press joined

in a salute to the U. S. on the second anniversary of the Soviet-American agreement, stressing Allied cooperation now and after the war.

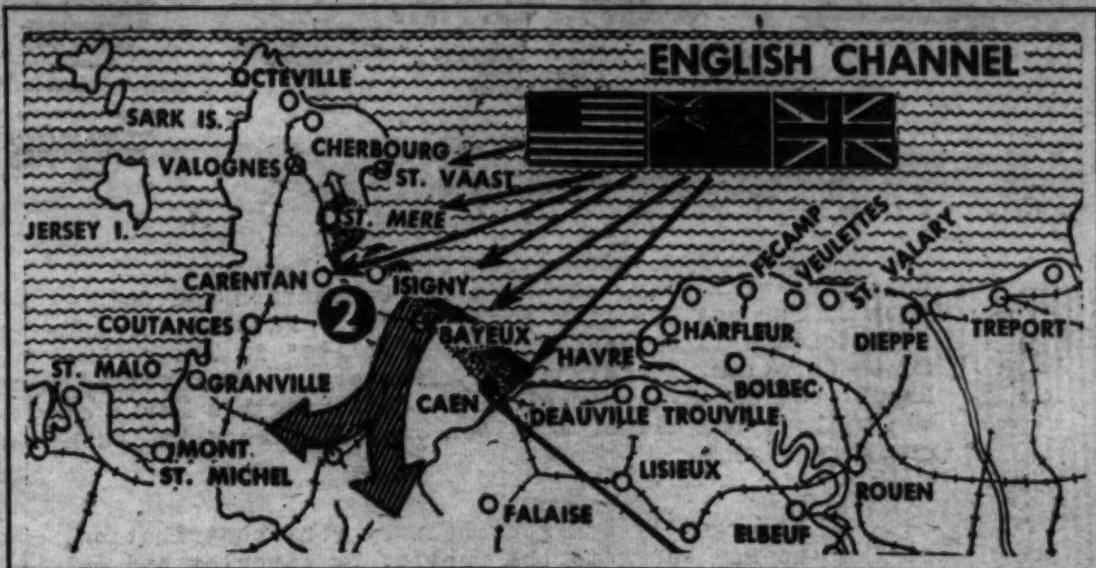
Detailed figures of supplies shipped by America, Britain and Canada to Russia dominated the front pages of the newspapers, while editorials emphasized the flood of goods had greatly facilitated Red Army's victories. Summarizing the Russian appreciation of the Soviet-American pact signed June 11, 1942, was Pravda's phrase "the 11th is a great day."

Listing Allied shipments, with the U. S. providing the lion's share, the government disclosed it had received 12,256 planes, 9,214 tanks, 237,634 trucks and other vehicles, 118 naval craft, 25,390 guns, 1,011,380,000 shells, and 2,545,100 tons of food, along with stupendous amounts of clothing, gasoline, radio sets, ship engines, machine tools, aluminum, copper, and steel.

Commenting on the agreement's second anniversary, Pravda observed "experiences have shown there is no problem, no matter how complicated, which cannot be solved to the mutual benefit and mutual satisfaction, when there is goodwill, mutual understanding, and a correct appreciation of the national interests of each of the interested countries."

The newspaper Red Star, Army organ, asserted the agreement, together with the Anglo-Soviet alliance, constituted a "solid foundation for the great coalition of great democratic powers" to defeat the enemy and prevent new aggression along with the establishment of a stable peace.

The newspaper Izvestia acknowledged there still are "many difficulties" to be solved in the postwar structure, although it added, "the conviction is growing more and more that the key to the solution of the most difficult problems is precisely the collaboration principles established at the Teheran conference."



The Allies are 14 miles from Cherbourg, advancing up the coast north of Carentan. Heavy fighting is reported in the area between Caen and Bayeux.

Reynolds Hatches New Anti-FDR Fascist Group

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, June 11.—Robert Rice Reynolds, lame-duck North Carolina senator, revealed today that he is setting up a new fascist organization to replace his now defunct Indicators.

Reynolds announced that the new organization will be called the American Nationalists' Committee of Independent Voters, and will attempt to organize both Democrats and Republicans to vote against the President's policies in the November elections.

He said that the new outfit will concentrate on the election of candidates to Congress who will support "nationalist principles," and will attempt to "prevail upon the Democratic and Republican parties to adopt America First platforms."

Reynolds denied that his new group would be a third party, and it was believed that one of its principal functions will be to try to win voters for Gov. Thomas Dewey, the likely Republican presidential candidate for Congress.

In a direct attack on the President's war policies which followed only by a few days the invasion of France, Reynolds said:

"I believe the majority of American people are thoroughly nationalist."

"But the present political situation leaves them voiceless."

"They want to win the war at the earliest possible date, but they are alarmed over the dissipation of United States resources and independence under the leadership of world do-gooders who have already gone dangerously far in that direction and promise to go much further if they continue in authority."

Reynolds withdrew from the race for the Democratic nomination for Senate in North Carolina several months ago in the face of warnings from his own friends that opposition to his policies was too strong.

He has long been one of the Senate's leading defeatists. The Vindicator, publication of the fascist group which he headed, was openly anti-Semitic. He has consistently attacked the Soviet Union and Great Britain.

There had been some doubt about what he would do next, and it is now clear that he has decided to go into the field of organizing opposition to the war effort along with his old friend, Gerald L. K. Smith. It is believed that he will cooperate with Smith's America First Party.

Reynolds who married into the wealthy McLean family of Washington, is expected to have ample funds for his activities.

Yanks Complete Shuttle Cycle

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS,

Naples, June 11 (UP).—Heavy bombers of the U. S. 15th Air Force completed a history-making cycle today, roaring out from Soviet bases to attack two airfields in Romania and continuing on to land at Italian bases in the first return shuttle raid from secret Russian airdromes.

The bombers had originally set out from Italy, June 2.

On their return trip the American heavyweights blasted two Romanian airfields at Focsani, 133 miles northeast of Bucharest, in their third operation since establishment of Soviet bases permitted them to open a shuttle service of destruction across the bomb-battered Balkan satellites of Nazi Germany.

10 Enemy Craft Hit Off France

LONDON, June 11 (UP).—Planes of the RAF coastal command broke up groups of German E-boats (motor torpedo boats) attempting to menace landing operations off the French beachhead today, damaging 10 enemy craft during a series of attacks, it was announced tonight.

A total of 23 enemy boats operating in several groups was attacked off Boulogne, and Le Touquet. Albacore planes attacked four boats four miles off Le Touquet and observed two explosions aboard one. Two other groups of seven and four were attacked in the same area. Another formation was hit off Ostend.

RAF Wellingtons attacked an enemy surface convoy off Dieppe early today but darkness obscured results.

Togliatti Asked Badoglio to Quit

Newspapers here almost unanimously maintained that the Italian Communists provided Marshal Badoglio's only support.

The truth is that Communist leader Palmiro Togliatti (Ercoli) took the lead in requesting the Marshal's resignation.

Reynolds Packard, United Press correspondent, reported from Rome Saturday that the former premier, with tears in his eyes, told him:

"I was not surprised when the head of the Communists, Ercoli, got up during a meeting of representatives of various parties and said my work was done and I should go."

"I went up to him and shaking his hand told all that I wanted to resign right away."

Allied Tanks Battle at Caen

(Continued from Page 1) on the entire beachhead. Americans on their right flank captured Lisson, six miles south of Isigny.

Important ground was also gained west and north of the American sector of the beachhead, and official report from 21st Army Group headquarters said fighting was under way in the outskirts of Montebourg.

Previous reports had placed the Americans as close as 11 miles from Cherbourg, but apparently they referred to parachutists.

RIVER CROSSED

The approach to Montebourg involved the crossing "some distance" north of Carentan of the Merderet river which meanders down the Cherbourg peninsula.

Plunging on the Americans scored a considerable advance despite massed fire from German multiple-rocket launchers. Another American column was driving due west to isolate the peninsula and at last reports was nearing the west coast highway to Cherbourg.

American fighter-bombers, in their most concentrated attacks of the campaign, were closely supporting the twin drives through the peninsula.

Other American troops were advancing along the coast well north of Carentan, indicating that the lowlands have been bridged in the consolidation of a continuous front.

Violent fighting involving great numbers of tanks on both sides broke out on a front from the edge of Caen to south of Bayeux. There the Germans had dug in be-

hind a hastily erected defense line near the edge of a ravine-cut area, and through woods and meadows.

In a spectacular naval gunnery, the British light cruisers Orion and Argonaut off the coast hurled projectiles nearly 13 miles—close to maximum range—with such accuracy that they crashed into enemy position only 30 yards beyond the Allies.

U. S. self-propelled guns and Thunderbolt dive-bombers swelled the barrage and under the shower of steel the Germans broke and retreated to their new line, holding tightly to Caen as an anchor and leaving small tank units to fight rearguard action.

In the mid-section of the line, near Carentan at the base of the Cherbourg peninsula, the American 29th Division in the last 24 hours had taken important high ground.

The British battleships Warspite and Ramillies, the 15-inch gun monitor Roberts, and the cruisers Hawkins, Roberts, Mauritius and Arethusa added their broadsides yesterday to those of the American battleship Arkansas against shore batteries. A few German guns in the "silenced" area come to life occasionally and cause some trouble, but in general the beaches are out of range of local German fire.

Hungary Jews Flee To Carpathians

Hungarian Jews are fleeing to Carpathian mountains where they are fighting with Carpatho-Russian partisans, the Hungarian Information Bulletin here learned from London sources this week.

Martin Kennedy Aide Solicits Anti-FDR Funds

Rep. Martin Kennedy, who received the Democratic designation for congress from Manhattan's new 18th district in preference to Rep. Vito Marcantonio, is associated with anti-Roosevelt Democrats who aim to throw the presidential election to take Republican candidate.

In a fund-soliciting letter to Republicans, Kennedy's Congressional secretary, ex-Rep. John J. O'Connor wrote "No informed Republican deceives himself into believing his Party can win without the aid of real Democrats, such as we represent."

O'Connor's letter, dated May 25, was sent on the stationery of American Democratic National Committee, an outfit set up to defeat a fourth term for F. D. R. O'Connor is eastern vice-chairman of committee.

It is hardly conceivable that O'Connor, who was eliminated from Congress in 1938 for his opposition to the New Deal, could remain on Kennedy's payroll while engaging in anti-Roosevelt activity if Kennedy did not sympathize with his objectives.

Congressman Marcantonio, whose record in support of the President and his program has been outstanding, will oppose Kennedy in the Democratic primaries. Some Democratic leaders are opposing him on the grounds that he is an American Laborite and not a regular Democrat.

The Democratic voters in the district will, however, have before them the choice between a strong, unquestioned Roosevelt man and one who, while nominally a Democrat, is involved in a conspiracy to throw the elections to a Republican.

Mexico CP Asks Overseas Army

By EFRÉN FARRILL

MEXICO CITY, June 11.—Greeting the Allied landings in France, the Mexican Communist Party urges that a Mexican army under its own flag be immediately sent to the fighting front.

The Party further demanded the immediate disbanding of the Sinarquistas and their prosecution for traitorous activities.

The domestic front, the Party statement continues, must be consolidated in order to aid the Allies.

Messages of congratulations were sent to the liberating armies and to President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Marshal Stalin.

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May 25, 1944.

It is not unlikely that decent Democratic delegates will stay away from the Convention and join with us for the Election in November. Part of our success to date is evidenced by the "splits" in Texas, South Carolina, Louisiana and elsewhere. No informed Republican deceives himself into believing his Party can win without the aid of millions of real Democrats, such as we represent.

We urgently ask your help by your contribution, so that we may carry to the public, by circular and radio, the long-awaited exposure of the "New Dealers".

JJO'C/S.

Sincerely yours,



The Evidence: John J. O'Connor, secretary to Rep. Martin Kennedy, Tammany's choice for Manhattan's new 18th Congressional District, authors a letter for funds to lick the Fourth Term. Eastern representative of the American Democratic National Committee, O'Connor glories in the GOP-polltaxers plot in Southern states to throw the election into the House of Representatives. The letterhead, marked by an arrow, reveals the defeatist aim "of real Democrats pledged to save Their Country and Their Party from a Fourth Term and from the New Dealers."

Allied Fire Melts Nazi Tigers In Battle for Smiling French Pasture

By RICHARD McMILLAN

WITH THE BRITISH FORCES FIGHTING BEYOND BAYEUX, June 11 (UP).—American and British ground, naval and aerial forces have smashed a savage German attempt to cut the Caen-Bayeux road and the Germans are now trying desperately to build

a new defense line, with the aid of forced French peasant labor, along the slopes and through the woods and meadows south of the road.

As I write this dispatch in mid-afternoon, there is no front line. You pass from one village to another and find you have been in no man's land. British troops lie behind the hedges with their machine guns and the tanks peer from the edges of the woods.

Now Field Marshal Karl Gerd von Rundstedt has rushed engineer detachments into his lines and they are building trenches, fire posts and

anti-tank obstacles and turning villages, farmsteads and chateaux into strong points and redoubts.

STRANGEST BATTLE YET

The new line is the result of an inspiring Allied victory Friday in the strangest battle fought so far on the western front.

Germans massed powerful formations of giant Mark VI Tiger tanks, supported by infantry, and sent them over in a vicious thrust intended to cut the road. They sought to split the British and American forces, which had just joined up.

But a British cruiser, firing at a range of several miles, put down a deadly barrage on the attackers. American self-propelled gun crews

put up indirect fire which scattered the German munitions and transport columns. British self-propelled guns, manned by Royal Marines, put a curtain of fire all round advancing enemy columns. British medium artillery lobbed constant salvos on the line of the Tiger advance. American Thunderbolt fighters swept the tree-lined country lands, squirt-

Maryland Gets Half of Quota

Hurrying to get into the Daily Worker-The Worker fund-raising parade, friends in the state of Maryland have just sent in \$1,445 to the financial drive headquarters, it was announced yesterday.

This is almost one-half of the Maryland voluntary quota, which totals \$3,300.

The state which has the big ship-building city of Baltimore as its metropolis was the second of the various districts to turn in a large contribution to the campaign. Michigan supporters of the papers, continuing a tradition, completed its entire quota the latter part of this past week with a check for \$2,850.

To Maryland is attached the District of Columbia, and the quick response from down there is undoubtedly due to the fact that the folks in that area are aware of the urgency of victory. They know, too, what the Daily Worker and The Worker mean in that respect.

The financial campaign for the papers opened on June 1. The total to be raised nationally is \$125,000. This amount will make up for deficit accruing in the current year because of the lack of the national advertising.

The financial drive appeal, made by managing editor Louis F. Budenz for the papers, was endorsed by the national committee of the Communist Political Association through president Earl Browder and secretary John Williamson.

For GI Ballot

CHICAGO, June 11. — The National Federation for Constitutional Liberties, Illinois Chapter, commended Mayor Edward J. Kelly for his "patriotic stand" in attempting to simplify the Illinois Soldier Vote requirements.

ing death upon the tightly massed German infantry.

In face of the Allied fire, the Germans Tiger tanks and infantrymen kept on. They got within 300 yards of our line and then they melted.

The victory was ours. The battle was fought in the fairest pasture lands of the rich Normandy countryside.

I drove along the battlefield and passed through the meadows and farmhouses from which the peasants had fled. The guns were still firing. As their roar died down, the lowing of the cows filled the air. It was past milking time and they were calling their milkmaids.

New Italian Unity Gov't Big Step Forward

By JOSEPH STAROBIN

The new Italian government, formed at Rome under the premiership of the moderate Socialist, Ivanoe Bonomi, is a great anti-fascist step forward, I was told yesterday by Italian friends who know the figures in the new cabinet personally.

These friends are elated by the statemanship, flexibility, and integrity of Italy's democratic leaders who have been able to overcome a governmental crisis so amicably a few short days after Rome's liberation.

This is an example of how issues can be settled among democrats who respect and work with each other. It is a preview of the new Europe. UNITED NEW GOVERNMENT

The under-secretaries of the new government are not yet reported as I write. But there are some 18 to 20 ministers, all of them from the Six Party Coalition which united long before Mussolini's overthrow (despite slander and disbelief from Luigi Antonini) and has now come out on top.

Marshal Badoglio retired in good humor, as he had promised when the transitional government was

formed two months ago in Salerno. The monarchy is now more than ever a figurehead in Italy. Interestingly enough, the new cabinet will swear allegiance not to the throne but to the Italian people.

Bonomi, an old-line Socialist who has obviously learned a great deal since the 1922 days, keeps the premiership, the interior and foreign affairs ministries to himself. There are seven posts without portfolio. Count Carlo Sforza, by calling himself an independent, has enabled Alberto Cianca, a right-wing Socialist well known in the United States, to take a senior seat.

COMMUNISTS RETAIN SEATS

The Communists, of course, have Palmiro Togliatti, and retain Fausto Guilo in the important ministry of agriculture.

One new feature of the cabinet is the increase of strength to the Catholic Democrats, which is natural in view of Rome's participation in political life. The Catholics have the ministries of justice and labor, with Tupini and Gronchi heading them, and their senior minister is Alcide de Gaspari, an old Catholic parliamentarian. He replaces the somewhat more vigor-

ous figure of Giulio Rodino.

The second new aspect lies in the character of the Roman Socialists, who are progressives associated with Pietro Nenni. Luigi Antonini won't like them at all.

In the senior position is Giuseppe Saragat, who signed the 1941 pact of united action with the Communists. The public works minister, Giovanni Romita, is one of the staunch "unity Socialists" of Rome from way back.

All of Badoglio's generals are out. Only Admiral Raffaele de Courten remains of the conservative school. It will be noted that one of Luigi Antonini's friends, Alberto Tarchiani (also exported from this country with Cianca last fall), is out, although Cianca has been elevated to a senior post.

All in all, the cabinet is a good one. The break with Badoglio and the monarchists is thorough and clean. The six parties are united. Italy is going places.

TOGLIATTI INTERVIEW

I see where the N. Y. Post and (of all papers) the World-Telegram, are hailing the new government as a setback for the Communists, in view of the fact that Badoglio has

quit. This is, of course, a most shameful bit of demagoguery, based on a stupid report by Herbert L. Matthews in the Times the other day who claimed that the Communists would have preferred Badoglio to remain in the cabinet.

Alexander H. Uhl, in PM this weekend has an interview with Palmiro Togliatti which ought to silence such demagogues if they have any respect for the facts.

Togliatti emphasized "in excellent French" to Uhl that the Communists favored a compromise government with Badoglio six weeks ago in order to break the "log-jam" which was getting nowhere.

"Now that Rome has been liberated, we have a new situation. We have a clearer, more energetic attitude toward the war. We have also a more energetic attitude toward democratization of the country—much clearer and more energetic than it was in the south. It is the spirit here that is alive and more vigorous. If we hadn't changed the government here, there would have been a disparity between the government and the spirit of the country. That is why the new government had to be formed."

Togliatti emphasized that the new government is not "more Socialist, or more Communist"—it is a better war government, that's what counts.

The monarchy has been given a last chance to help win the war, and after victory "we want Italy to have whatever regime the Italian people desire through the normal processes of democracy. The only party we won't stand for is a fascist party."

And then the Communist leader added: "In each country, the Communists must seek to solve their problems in terms of their own country."

American progressives and American Communists were absolutely right in supporting the compromise government of Salerno six weeks ago. The formation of that government at that time prevented acute conflicts in forming a new government now. Anybody who can't see that is either silly or sinister.

We leave the latter characterization for Luigi Antonini and the World-Telegram (which supported Mussolini in its time).

Does the Post want to be in the silly or sinister class?



Union Lookout

- Invasion Leaflets Ready
- 'Soldier Vote' Mustang

by Dorothy Loeb

D-Day put blood donor campaigns high on every trade union program. Response was so great that the Regional War Labor Board covering New York-New Jersey made a special ruling authorizing employers to pay for time off used to give blood. Payments may be made without asking WLB approval. Bosses may pay straight time for a half-day or the actual time needed by the worker to give the blood, whichever is longer.

The invasion found organized labor ready. Hundreds of unions had leaflets all prepared and issued them as soon as the word was flashed. An extra put out by the Chicago office of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers won national attention. It carried a huge headline: "Second Front Opened!" and a great cartoon showing American production backing up our fighting men as, together with Soviet forces, they administer the coup de grace to Hitler.

The international executive board of the CIO United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing and Allied Workers just happened to be in session at Philadelphia when the attack was launched on the French coast. Board members immediately pledged increased food production on behalf of their 100,000 members to the President and Gen. Eisenhower. The invasion makes it specially urgent that Roosevelt run again, they said. He alone can offer the progressive leadership assuring early and decisive victory, the board voted. Five of 16 board members are women.

"Soldier Vote" is the name Capt. Frank A. Cutler, a Cleveland AFL carpenter, gave his Mustang P-51 fighter plane. He wrote a friend at home that the ship got the monicker because of his keen interest in assuring servicemen a right to the ballot. He may never cast his vote, however. Cutler, who had ten enemy planes to his credit, was reported missing in action over Germany shortly after he sent word about the Mustang.

Oil workers employed on war emergency pipelines in Linden, Lambertville, Marietta and Phoenixville, N. J., were better prepared to pitch in to back the invasion because they had just voted to join the CIO. They gave overwhelming support to the Oil Workers International Union in National Labor Relations Board polls. The AFL operating engineers union came in a poor second. Pipelines are part of the government-built Big Inch.

The Queens Labor Legislative Committee, comprising 14 AFL unions with membership in Queens, is backing the attack by seeing that applications for ballots get to our fighting men. The committee has printed applications for affiliates and is making them available at cost. . . S/Sgt. Lloyd Frank, a former vice-president of AFL Film Technicians Local 702, raised \$509 for Russian War Relief among his buddies in a Marauder Squadron in Italy and sent it back to New York. . . CIO United Furniture Workers were awful proud of the showing of gliders in the invasion attack. They make practically all of 'em.

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American Movies Follow the AEF

WASHINGTON, June 11 (UP).—People in liberated areas once again are seeing American movies.

Nathan D. Golden, chief of the motion picture unit, Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, revealed tonight that American movies follow the troops all around the world and into conquered cities and are shown to civilians in liberated areas as soon as the Allied military government permits.

They have been shown in North Africa and Naples and will soon be seen in Rome.

Aluminum Workers Support 4th Term, Pledge No Strike

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., June 11.—A resolution endorsing Roosevelt for a fourth term was unanimously approved by delegates of the CIO Aluminum Workers of America convention held here. Delegates marched for five minutes singing "Roosevelt is our leader" upon introduction of the resolution.



Even invaders need some shut-eye. Two weary American infantrymen make a cushion of a chalk wall on the French coast to drowse a while. The Yank in the foreground is propped against the wall but the other takes the more serious approach.

Unanimous support greeted a resolution reaffirming the no-strike pledge for the duration. A debate preceded that resolution, however, indicating that AWA President Nicholas Zonarich was somewhat reserved in his support.

Zonarich launched a vicious attack upon Harry Bridges for holding to an unqualified strike pledge and refusing to call sympathy strikes with Montgomery Ward strikers at Chicago. He also objected to the Bridges suggestion that it is possible to have a condition in postwar days under which strikes would not be necessary.

Keep in mind that when men and women refuse to work there is some reason for it," said Zonarich.

Picturing the various provocative policies of employers Zonarich promised that "we will strike," in such cases.

Allen Schaffer, delegate of Edgewater, N. J., local 16, following Zonarich, said "it's nice to make beautiful speeches about uninterrupted production, but our action in the shops will prove the sincerity of our pledge."

Stressing that D-Day had arrived and that labor has a remarkable record of production that made it possible, Schaffer added that "we must continue that job today more than ever." He also referred to CIO President Philip Murray's recent speech at the steel convention reaffirming the unqualified strike pledge.

Earlier Anthony Federoff, of the CIO, greeting the decision of the aluminum union to become part of the steel organization, said he looked forward to the day when all metal workers will be in one union.

Other resolutions demanded abolition of polltaxes, condemned the Dies committee and called for its abolition; endorsed the Wagner-Murray-Dingell bill, and called for a strong price-control bill and revision of the Little Steel formula.

Browder, Business Heads in Symposium

CHICAGO, June 11.—Earl Browder, president of the Communist Political Association, Dr. Earl Dean Howard of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and Guy E. Reed, Chicago banker, will take part in a symposium on whether full employment can be achieved in the postwar period. The symposium, sponsored by the Abraham Lincoln School, will be held June 13 at the Hamilton Hotel.

Among outstanding civic, business, labor and educational leaders jointly sponsoring the event are: Edwin R. Embree, Rosenwald Fund; L. Shirley Tark, Main State Bank; Judge William H. Holly; T. K. Gibson, Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Co.; Maudelle Bousfield, principal Wendell Phillips High School; Langston Hughes, poet; William Gropper, artist; Robert Travis and Albert Glenn, Illinois State Industrial Union Council, CIO; Ernest de Maio, United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, CIO; William Levander, Amalgamated Association of Street, Railway and Motor Coach Employees, AFL, and Elmer Gertz, National Lawyer's Guild.

Notables Invited to IWO Parley July 2

Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia and Rep. Vito Marcantonio have been invited to head a list of notable speakers at the opening ceremonies of the sixth national convention of the International Workers Order to be held at Carnegie Hall, July 2, announcement of tentative plans revealed. Marcantonio has accepted the invitation. His speech on the Wagner-Murray-Dingell Social Security Bill will be broadcast.

Musicians Convention Praises Roosevelt

By OTTO WANGERIN

CHICAGO, June 11.—Citing a union technicality forbidding endorsement of political candidates, the AFL American Federation of Musicians, in convention at Stevens Hotel here, adopted a resolution expressing "gratitude, respect and affection" for President Roosevelt but omitting specific endorsement of a fourth term.

The resolution declared: "It has been the traditional policy of the American Federation of Musicians to take no part in partisan politics but we do deem it appropriate to express our gratitude to our President, Franklin D. Roosevelt." Roosevelt, the resolution said, "has unstintingly and untiringly devoted his thought, his time, his energies and his great abilities to secure for his fellow men a greater share in the opportunities and advantages of our great country and has through his influence and leadership secured the passage of much progressive and social legislation tending to secure for labor a greater reward for its productive effort."

In an hour-long debate delegates showed an awareness of the weakness of the union's policy is not endorsing labor's friends.

PETRILLO FOR FDR

During the debate, James C. Petrillo, union president, announced that he would vote for President Roosevelt.

Petrillo pointed out that in the fight on the "canned music" issue, the president showed a sympathetic interest in the union's objective to spread work among musicians.

Petrillo denounced Senators Wheeler, Clark and Vandenberg for obstructing the union's fight against transcription, recording and the radio companies.

Throughout the convention, delegates denounced the unfairness of the press, citing in particular the Chicago Tribune, in connection with the union's battles.

RWR Show to Add Invasion Sequence

Destination Berlin is the title of an invasion sequence in Order of the Day, a pageant to be presented by Russian War Relief on Thursday, June 22, at 7:30 p.m., in Madison Square Garden.

Tickets are on sale at the offices of Russian War Relief, 11 E. 35 St.

Jersey ACW Spurs 4th Term

ASBURY PARK, N. J., June 11.—Mobilizing 50,000 members of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America in New Jersey and their families for political purposes, Jacob S. Potofsky, general secretary-treasurer of the union, told an Amalgamated conference here Saturday that job security, full employment, decent housing and a decent postwar world will depend on the national elections in November.

The union official urged the renomination and reelection of President Roosevelt and a liberal and progressive congress to attain these aims, as well as a swift and successful conclusion of the war.

Other speakers included ex-Congressman Tom Amle, Irving Abramson, regional director, CIO Political Action Committee, Dorothy Bellanca and Louis Hollander, Amalgamated vice-presidents, and Tony Froise and Philip Rudolph, Amalgamated representatives in north and south Jersey.

Potofsky attacked die-hard Republicans and reactionary southern Democrats whom he charged with seeking to scrap all New Deal accomplishments of vital interest to labor, with seeking to disfranchise the soldier vote and millions of citizens, both black and white, by continuing the polltax in the South.

Jewish Committee Urges Free Ports

The Committee on Immigration was yesterday urged by the Jewish People's Committee to act favorably on the Free Ports Resolution, which would permit refugees to enter the United States until a short period after the war's end.

Max Perlow, acting national president of the Jewish People's Committee, called upon the trade union and chapter members throughout the country to write or wire Congressman Dickstein, Chairman of the Committee on Immigration.

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Abysmal Spectacle

VERY few Americans, we wager, know what happened at the Hotel Diplomat last Thursday night. Last Thursday? That's when millions of Americans were at their radios, listening with deep emotion to the inspiring reports of how American boys were storming the beach-heads of Hitler Europe. But in this New York hotel, a motley assortment of Roger Baldwin, Norman Thomas and spokesmen for three labor unions listened to each other on behalf of the 18 imprisoned Trotskyists.

Roger Baldwin, director of the Civil Liberties Union, said only one significant thing at the meeting. He compared the case of the 18 imprisoned Trotskyists to the 29 accused seditionists, now on trial in Washington. To Baldwin, the bases are similar, and with that we agree.

These 29 are now being tried for undermining our democracy; they deserve the speediest possible justice that a democracy can give them. They are traitors to that democracy. They proclaim their treason and only Roger Baldwin has the gall to sympathize with them.

So also with the Trotskyists, who have a long record of conspiratorial activity against the nation, against the United Nations, against every trade union in which they operate. Their leaders were exposed as Nazi agents years ago in Spain and Soviet Russia. They oppose the war, hate the President, are interested only in chaos. The comparison with the 29 defeatists is very exact. Mr. Baldwin, and that is just why they ought to remain in jail.

But it is a matter of concern to all labor that Thomas de Lorenzo of Local 365, UAW, or George Baldanzi of the Textile Workers, CIO, or a spokesman for Samuel Wolchok of the CIO's retail union should appear at such a meeting. The chumminess of Baldwin, Norman Thomas and the various Trotskyist wings is an old story. The personal views of de Lorenzo, Baldanzi or Wolchok is beside the point.

The fact is that American workers are patriotic, working hard for victory, and thousands of them know what Daniel Tobin of the Teamsters Union learned from hard experience: that the Trotskyists, wherever they are, corrupt and endanger American labor.

Any labor leader who defends them ought to be made to answer to his membership. By defending Trotskyists, like defending the accused seditionists still out of jail, such a labor leader abuses and misrepresents his membership. It is time to put a swift stop to that sort of thing.

The Southern Tory Conspiracy

NO PATRIOT, no one who loves America, can deny that the supreme task at home in these fateful days of the final assault upon Hitler's fortress is to maintain solid unity behind the President and the war effort.

Yet, as we have indicated during the past week, that unity is being threatened from several directions. It is under incessant attack from defeatists of all stripes and from those who are rendered blind by partisan politics.

The conspiracy of a handful of southern Tories against the President is among the most sinister of these attacks. These Tories would destroy our electoral system and throw our nation into turmoil while it is engaged in a death grapple against the Nazi beast. Knowing that even where the polltax operates they could not carry the people with them against FDR, they have devised methods to deny to the people the opportunity to cast their vote for him.

They have received active support from the Republican leadership. In addition, the Republicans, following the lead of Congressmen Howard Smith and Martin Dies, have opened their own war against all who back the President for a fourth term. Just as the Texas, Mississippi and South Carolina Democratic machines want to deprive the voters of those states from casting their ballots for the President, so Senator Moore of Oklahoma demands that the federal government suppress the activities of labor on behalf of FDR.

Aiding the partisan Roosevelt haters is the supine policy of "neutrality" adopted by William Green, a policy which actually is of enormous assistance to the Republican leadership since it enables them to pose as being "no different" from the President in the eyes of the workers.

There can be no "neutrality" in the political struggle today. The drive against unity is a deadly matter that cannot be minimized. It requires the most powerful counter-drive of all labor, as well as all other patriotic sections of the population, to unite the nation behind the President and the invasion.

POINTING THE WAY



— They're Saying in Washington —

No More Brewsters

by Adam Lapin

IT IS in a sense fortunate that the Brewster fiasco took place before the invasion. There could be no more serious home front setback now than the closing up of plants, without any plans to make use of facilities and workers. Shut-downs of this sort would cause serious demoralization of the nation's war workers.

At least the Brewster case becomes a perfect illustration of the problem.

600,000. This was mostly in the form of reserves plowed back into business after taxes and dividends were paid.

There are exceptions, of course. But by and large business has the resources even without special legislation for reconversion, and as a matter of fact for substantial expansion in production. The real reconversion problem is how to make use of the great resources of capital, machinery and manpower.

Gov't Planning Now Admitted Only Way Out

The need for government planning during the reconversion process is admitted by even the most hard-bitten advocates of free enterprise. Government contracts will still play an important if diminishing role. And resumption of civilian production requires government action, the release of materials and machinery.

There is much that can be done by executive action without legislation. In the Brewster case, the Navy not only gave no advance notice of the shutdown to labor and management: It didn't even tell other government agencies. The new cutback committee headed by WPB Vice Chairman Charles E. Wilson should at least keep other government agencies informed. But there are whole phases of the reconversion process, such as unemployment compensation, which can be handled only by legislation.

Sen. Harley Kilgore of West Virginia has been joined by eight other senators in pressing for a commonsense solution of the whole problem. The Kilgore bill, now sponsored by nine senators, would provide for over-all planning of the production program including the reconversion process. Both

labor and management participation are provided for. War workers are given security through substantially increased unemployment compensation payments.

Even the most conservative senators have not dared to challenge outright the provisions or the objectives of the Kilgore bill. But the measure has been stalled by the pressure for property legislation first, and by the unbelievably complicated jurisdictional rivalry in the handling of reconversion legislation with about a dozen committees involved.

The Kinks in Getting Kilgore Bill Going

Postwar Committee, Sen. Walter George of Georgia has been a potent force for going slow on the human side of reconversion and has been largely responsible for the shortcomings of the totally inadequate George-Murray bill which has been offered as a substitute for the Kilgore measure.

Sen. Kilgore has expressed the well-grounded fear that "absence of adequate plans for conversion to other war or essential civilian production will not only jeopardize domestic prosperity and our international contributions to maintaining the peace, but will actively endanger war production in the midst of our greatest offensive."

Chaos in production at this time as a result of unplanned cutback would be bad enough. But even the fear of chaos among millions of war workers would be tantamount to military defeat. It would be a good idea if Congress could take time off from wrecking OPA to pay some attention to the Kilgore bill in the two weeks before the Summer recess.

Worth Repeating

EDGAR SNOW in the current Saturday Evening Post, discussing Chinese partisans: In Yugoslavia, we and the British and Russians now actively aid Tito, simply because his forces actively fight the Axis, but in Asia we have so far given no official recognition to the Chu-Mao armies (led by Chinese Communists) which offer virtually the only armed opposition to the Japanese in north China. Yet the Chinese partisan movement is actually much the largest guerrilla organization in the world. What makes it of special interest to us today is the changing strategy of the Pacific war implied by the rapid westward advance of our naval and air forces. . . . Guerilla China has become the scene of the broadest efforts at mass mobilization and mass education in Chinese history. The partisan regimes carrying out that effort have been able to survive and flourish because they have won the devoted support of the farmers, and particularly of youths, hundreds of thousands of whom have died in this little-publicized struggle. This fighting nation constitutes the closest approach to political and economic democracy the Chinese have even known and has a government which, so far, may honestly be called incorruptible.

Change the World

A COMMANDO among the young Americans recently landed on the beaches of France, was heard by a reporter to remark dryly:

"Hope this all helps the morale of the folks back home."

The makers of Ex-Lax constantly asserted that it was Ex-Lax which was winning the war. Lucky Strike cigarettes and Timken Bolts and Screws put in their own counterclaims, as you know.

Crooners and Broadway phonies, advertising poets of the Streamlined "Doughnut of Tomorrow," all the Wall Street Utopians who showed in big ads the plastic paradise in which we may live when the war is over—

So many of them, noisy, venal, commercial and sure they were building "Morale" and Winning the War!

But the American soldier survived them all. He even came out fighting like a tiger on the beaches of France. Great kid—the champ from Brooklyn!



This Army Is Made Up of High IQ's;
They Express Our America's Will

by Mike Gold

TRUTH IS, our boys in uniform are "remarkably like me and you." They are not morons, but American citizens.

These are the same guys who voted for Roosevelt; built the CIO and bought millions of records of Bach and Boogie-Woogie each year.

This army is made up of the most intelligent, the most social-minded and alert generation of youth ever produced in America—and the IQ tests show it.

They are fighting to save their country. None of the defeatist propaganda allowed to penetrate the army camps, all that Daily News-Coughlin-Chicago Tribune copperhead propaganda, made much of a dent in the morale of the young soldier.

They are green troops, these boys now fighting in France. They lack precious battle experience of the Canadians, British and Free French. Yet they are giving a great account of their American will-to-resist the Nazi tyrant. All the world's pretty legs, Coca Cola and Camels could never bribe an aver-

age office worker or machine tender into such a heroic spirit.

MORALE is not a matter of the barroom, the crooner or the pretty leg.

Dark suspicions formerly spread of the low spirits and general skepticism of our soldiers were never true, but mere Coughlinism.

Nothing, not even the worst military defeat, can ever shake the patriotism of our youth.

Only if you could persuade the soldiers that after the war they are coming back to Unemployment and Mass Hunger, could their morale be shattered.

This is the one fear they know—a more poignant fear than that of any battle with the Nazis.

The Brewster scandal, where America's Tories played dirty politics and dismissed thousands of war workers, was equivalent to our loss of a great battle to Hitler.

Let's not allow these homefront Tories to betray our army in France. Let's fight these morale-busters who would throw the country into chaos and unemployment.

Toward Freedom

THE COMING Illinois-Midwestern Negro People's Assembly for a Fourth Term for Roosevelt (Chicago, June 24-25) recalls the honorable tradition of Negro people's assemblies in an earlier period of national crisis. It is a tradition which warrants far more general revival in this most crucial moment in the history of the Negro people and the nation.

Immediately after the Civil War, when our country hesitated to follow the progressive course of reconstruction which alone could consolidate the democratic gains of victory, there sprang up all over the South a series of now historic Negro people's conventions. Black men, fresh from the shackles of slavery, came together to discuss the urgent problems of the Negro people of the South. They did much to hasten the progressive period of Reconstruction when history took a big leap forward for the South and the nation as a whole.

Today, the Allied armies of liberation move forward to the final conquest of Nazi Fortress Europe. In league with the powerful Red Army on the East, they will utterly destroy the fascist forces of enslavement.

This is the happy moment for which progressive men have been struggling since



Coming Negro People's Assembly Revives An Honorable Tradition

By Doxey Wilkerson

the rise of fascism a decade ago. History is again on the verge of a mighty leap forward. To hasten the triumph of the now united Anglo-Soviet-American arms, to assure the building of a Teheran peace—these are the supreme and imperative requirements to open up a new era of freedom and security for all the peoples of the world. They are also the only fundamental guarantees of the continued extension of freedom for the Negro people.

IN THIS HOUR of crisis and prospect, the Negro people are again moving forward to help our country steer true to the course of progress. Now politically more mature, far better organized, and in closer collaboration with powerful allies, they are in position decisively to influence their future and that of the nation and the world. And they are measuring their responsibility which the hour and influence entail.

The current of progress which now runs deep in the people is a vital and well-rooted tradition begun by the Negro people of the South some eighty years ago. This trend which is so strikingly evident by the coming Illinois-Midwestern Negro People's Assembly for a Fourth Term for Roosevelt.

Note these statesman-like "Call" to the June 24-25 Assembly

more than 100 Negro leaders in all walks of life:

"President Roosevelt must be drafted for a fourth term. The basic interests of the Negro people and the nation require it."

"The 1944 Presidential elections is the most crucial since Abraham Lincoln's death. The Negro vote may not only decide who will be the next President, but also the fate of the nation and the world for generations to come."

THE CAIRO and Moscow Conferences, culminating in the historic Teheran agreement between Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin, have produced a workable blueprint for not only winning the war against fascism, but also for securing a just peace to the world.

of Roosevelt is demanded if we are to fulfill its part of the Teheran agreement.

and basic approach to the Negro people in this hour of history—Independent guarantee a public policy which will back up our fighting men with the advance to corner, and the great to the freedom of the Negro people.

to the coming Chicago Negro People's Assemblies will be the forerunner for many more such assemblies in the nation.

What Prof. Lange Saw in the Soviet Union

(We print the full text of the statement by the Polish Socialist leader, Oscar Lange, made in Chicago last Wednesday upon his return from the USSR. Due to the invasion of France, Lange's important document was played down in most newspapers).

I went to the USSR at the invitation of the Union of Polish Patriots to visit the Polish Army in the USSR and to inquire into the situation of Poles in that country. I went—as a private American citizen.

My investigation consisted of conferences with Polish leaders active in the USSR, of a visit to the Polish army at the front, of visits to Polish schools and children's homes, of a conference with the Soviet Prime Minister Marshal Stalin, of two separate conferences with Mr. Molotov, and finally of a conference with a delegation of the Polish National Council in German occupied Poland, which had just arrived in Moscow.

WHAT LANGE FOUND

My chief findings are as follows:

1. The Polish Army in the USSR presents a considerable force. It consists of four infantry divisions, three brigades of artillery, one armored brigade, one brigade of anti-tank artillery, one

cavalry brigade, one brigade of sappers, one anti-aircraft division, one division of airforce, and other units.

It is excellently equipped. The Army increases rapidly by recruitment among the Polish population in the recently liberated areas. When I left the Soviet Union it counted more than 80,000 men, in the middle of June it is expected to pass the 100,000 mark.

2. I have had more than 15 informal conferences with the soldiers. The soldiers want Poland strong, independent and democratic. They want the government elected by the people, freedom of speech and press, freedom of all political parties, except fascist ones.

As one soldier said to me: "We are grateful to the Soviet Union for the aid and for the arms to fight the enemy. But we expect the Soviet government to keep its promise and not to interfere in our internal affairs."

3. The soldiers are unanimous in demanding an agrarian reform. They want the large estates divided among peasants but emphatically reject collectivization. Most soldiers want big industry and banking nationalized, all soldiers demand private enterprise in small industry and in trade.

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Abysmal Spectacle

VERY few Americans, we wager, know what happened at the Hotel Diplomat last Thursday night. Last Thursday? That's when millions of Americans were at their radios listening with deep emotion to the inspiring reports of how American boys were storming the beach-heads of Hitler Europe. But in this New York hotel, a motley assortment of Roger Baldwin, Norman Thomas and spokesmen for three labor unions listened to each other on behalf of the 18 imprisoned Trotskyists.

Roger Baldwin, director of the Civil Liberties Union, said only one significant thing at the meeting. He compared the case of the 18 imprisoned Trotskyists to the 29 accused seditionists, now on trial in Washington. To Baldwin, the bases are similar, and with that we agree.

These 29 are now being tried for undermining our democracy; they deserve the speediest possible justice that a democracy can give them. They are traitors to that democracy. They proclaim their treason and only Roger Baldwin has the gall to sympathize with them.

So also with the Trotskyists, who have a long record of conspiratorial activity against the nation, against the United Nations, against every trade union in which they operate. Their leaders were exposed as Nazi agents years ago in Spain and Soviet Russia. They oppose the war, hate the President, are interested only in chaos. The comparison with the 29 defeatists is very exact Mr. Baldwin, and that is just why they ought to remain in jail.

But it is a matter of concern to all labor that Thomas de Lorenzo of Local 365, UAW, or George Baldanzi of the Textile Workers, CIO, or a spokesman for Samuel Wolchok of the CIO's retail union should appear at such a meeting. The chumminess of Baldwin, Norman Thomas and the various Trotskyist wings is an old story. The personal views of de Lorenzo, Baldanzi or Wolchok is beside the point.

The fact is that American workers are patriotic, working hard for victory, and thousands of them know what Daniel Tobin of the Teamsters Union learned from hard experience: that the Trotskyists, wherever they are, corrupt and endanger American labor.

Any labor leader who defends them ought to be made to answer to his membership. By defending Trotskyists, like defending the accused seditionists still out of jail, such a labor leader abuses and misrepresents his membership. It is time to put a swift stop to that sort of thing.

The Southern Tory Conspiracy

NO PATRIOT, no one who loves America, can deny that the supreme task at home in these fateful days of the final assault upon Hitler's fortress is to maintain solid unity behind the President and the war effort.

Yet, as we have indicated during the past week, that unity is being threatened from several directions. It is under incessant attack from defeatists of all stripes and from those who are rendered blind by partisan politics.

The conspiracy of a handful of southern tories against the President is among the most sinister of these attacks. These tories would destroy our electoral system and throw our nation into turmoil while it is engaged in a death grapple against the Nazi beast. Knowing that even where the polltax operates they could not carry the people with them against FDR, they have devised methods to deny to the people the opportunity to cast their vote for him.

They have received active support from the Republican leadership. In addition, the Republicans, following the lead of Congressmen Howard Smith and Martin Dies, have opened their own war against all who back the President for a fourth term. Just as the Texas, Mississippi and South Carolina Democratic machines want to deprive the voters of those states from casting their ballots for the President, so Senator Moore of Oklahoma demands that the federal government suppress the activities of labor on behalf of FDR.

Aiding the partisan Roosevelt haters is the supine policy of "neutrality" adopted by William Green, a policy which actually is of enormous assistance to the Republican leadership since it enables them to pose as being "no different" from the President in the eyes of the workers.

There can be no "neutrality" in the political struggle today. The drive against unity is a deadly matter that cannot be minimized. It requires the most powerful counter-drive of all labor, as well as all other patriotic sections of the population, to unite the nation behind the President and the invasion.

POINTING THE WAY



— They're Saying in Washington —

No More Brewsters

by Adam Lapin

IT IS in a sense fortunate that the Brewster fiasco took place before the invasion. There could be no more serious home front setback now than the closing up of plants, without any plans to make use of facilities and workers. Shut-downs of this sort would cause serious demoralization of the nation's war workers.

At least the Brewster case becomes the perfect case history of what must be avoided. It gives Army and Navy procurement officials a sobering warning not to make the same mistakes again. It should spur action to prevent similar shut-downs in the future.

The invasion means that production plants have to be flexible. There will be changes in emphasis from one kind of plane to another. Production of some kinds of armaments will be curtailed or abandoned. Production of other kinds will be increased.

Vast Reconversion Problem Seen

The need for planning is thus accentuated during the invasion. And if the invasion raises the hope that the defeat of Germany is possible this year, it follows that there may be sudden reductions in the production program while the war against Japan is brought to a successful conclusion.

Government officials estimate that the end of the war against Germany will remove the need for 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 war workers.

Even on the basis of present plans, experts of the Automobile Workers Union state that 140,000 aircraft workers in 25 plants scattered throughout the United States will be laid off by the end of the year.

So far Congress has been concerned mostly with the contract termination and property disposal aspects of this vast problem. It is important to unfreeze capital, machinery and raw materials, to cut any red tape preventing their full utilization.

But as the Securities and Exchange Commission pointed out a few days ago, American industry accumulated from the end of 1940 to the end of 1943 increased working capital amounting to \$17,000,

000,000. This was mostly in the form of reserves plowed back into business after taxes and dividends were paid.

There are exceptions, of course. But by and large business has the resources even without special legislation for reconversion, and as a matter of fact for substantial expansion in production. The real reconversion problem is how to make use of the great resources of capital, machinery and manpower.

Gov't Planning Now Admitted Only Way Out

The need for government planning during the reconversion process is admitted by even the most hard-bitten advocates of free enterprise. Government contracts will still play an important role. And resumption of civilian production requires government action, the release of materials and machinery.

There is much that can be done by executive action without legislation. In the Brewster case, the Navy not only gave no advance notice of the shutdown to labor and management: It didn't even tell other government agencies. The new cutback committee headed by WPB Vice Chairman Charles E. Wilson should at least keep other government agencies informed. But there are whole phases of the reconversion process, such as unemployment compensation, which can be handled only by legislation.

Sen. Harley Kilgore of West Virginia has been joined by eight other senators in pressing for a commonsense solution of the whole problem. The Kilgore bill, now sponsored by nine senators, would provide for over-all planning of the production program including the reconversion process. Both

labor and management participation are provided for. War workers are given security through substantially increased unemployment compensation payments.

Even the most conservative senators have not dared to challenge outright the provisions or the objectives of the Kilgore bill. But the measure has been stalled by the pressure for property legislation first, and by the unbelievably complicated jurisdictional rivalry in the handling of reconversion legislation with about a dozen committees involved.

The Kinks in Getting Kilgore Bill Going

Postwar Committee, Sen. Walter George of Georgia has been a potent force for going slow on the human side of reconversion and has been largely responsible for the shortcomings of the totally inadequate George-Murray bill which has been offered as a substitute for the Kilgore measure.

Sen. Kilgore has expressed the well-grounded fear that "absence of adequate plans for conversion to other war or essential civilian production will not only jeopardize domestic prosperity and our international contributions to maintaining the peace, but will actively endanger war production in the midst of our greatest offensive."

Chaos in production at this time as a result of unplanned cutback would be bad enough. But even the fear of chaos among millions of war workers would be tantamount to military defeat. It would be a good idea if Congress could take time off from wrecking OPA to pay some attention to the Kilgore bill in the two weeks before the Summer recess.

Worth Repeating

EDGAR SNOW in the current Saturday Evening Post, discussing Chinese partisans: In Yugoslavia, we and the British and Russians now actively aid Tito, simply because his forces actively fight the Axis, but in Asia we have so far given no official recognition to the Chu-Mao armies [led by Chinese Communists] which offer virtually the only armed opposition to the Japanese in north China. Yet the Chinese partisan movement is actually much the largest guerilla organization in the world. What makes it of special interest to us today is the changing strategy of the Pacific war implied by the rapid westward advance of our naval and air forces. . . . Guerilla China has become the scene of the broadest efforts at mass mobilization and mass education in Chinese history. The partisan regimes carrying out that effort have been able to survive and flourish because they have won the devoted support of the farmers, and particularly of youths, hundreds of thousands of whom have died in this little-publicized struggle. This fighting nation constitutes the closest approach to political and economic democracy the Chinese have even known and has a government which, so far, may honestly be called incorruptible.

Change the World

A COMMANDO among the young Americans recently landed on the beaches of France, was heard by a reporter to remark dryly:

"Hope this all helps the morale of the folks back home."

The makers of Ex-Lax constantly asserted that it was Ex-Lax which was winning the war. Lucky Strike cigarettes and Timken Bolts and Screws put in their own counterclaims, as you know.

Crooners and Broadway phonies, advertising poets of the Streamlined "Doughnut of Tomorrow," all the Wall Street Utopians who showed in big ads the plastic paradise in which we may live when the war is over—

So many of them, noisy, venally, commercial and sure they were building "Morale" and Winning the War!

But the American soldier survived them all. He even came out fighting like a tiger on the beaches of France. Great kid—the champ from Brooklyn!



by Mike Gold

TRUTH IS, our boys in uniform are "remarkably like me and you." They are not morons, but American citizens.

These are the same guys who voted for Roosevelt; built the CIO and bought millions of records of Bach and Boogie-Woogie each year.

This army is made up of the most intelligent, the most social-minded and alert generation of youth ever produced in America—and the IQ tests show it.

They are fighting to save their country. None of the defeatist propaganda allowed to penetrate the army camps, all that Daily News-Coughlin-Chicago Tribune copperhead propaganda, made much of a dent in the morale of the young soldier.

They are green troops, these boys now fighting in France. They lack precious battle experience of the Canadians, British and Free French. Yet they are giving a great account of their American will-to-resist the Nazi tyrant. All the world's pretty legs, Coca Cola and Camels could never bribe an aver-

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MORALE is not a matter of the barroom, the crooner or the pretty leg.

Dark suspicions formerly spread of the low spirits and general skepticism of our soldiers were never true, but mere Coughlinism.

Nothing, not even the worst military defeat, can ever shake the patriotism of our youth.

Only if you could persuade the soldiers that after the war they are coming back to Unemployment and Mass Hunger, could their morale be shattered.

This is the one fear they know—a more poignant fear than that of any battle with the Nazis.

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THE COMING Illinois-Midwestern Negro People's Assembly for a Fourth Term for Roosevelt (Chicago, June 24-25) recalls the honorable tradition of Negro people's assemblies in an earlier period of national crisis. It is a tradition which warrants far more general revival in this most crucial moment in the history of the Negro people and the nation.

Immediately after the Civil War, when our country hesitated to follow the progressive course of reconstruction which alone could consolidate the democratic gains of victory, there sprang up all over the South a series of now historic Negro people's conventions. Black men, fresh from the shackles of slavery, came together to discuss the urgent problems of the Negro people of the South. They did much to hasten the progressive period of Reconstruction when history took a big leap forward for the South and the nation as a whole.

Today, the Allied armies of liberation move forward to the final conquest of Nazi Fortress Europe. In league with the powerful Red Army on the East, they will utterly destroy the fascist forces of enslavement.

This is the happy moment for which progressive men have been struggling since



By Doxey Wilkerson

the rise of fascism a decade ago. History is again on the verge of a mighty leap forward. To hasten the triumph of the now united Anglo-Soviet-American arms, to assure the building of a Teheran peace—these are the supreme and imperative requirements to open up a new era of freedom and security for all the peoples of the world. They are also the only fundamental guarantees of the continued extension of freedom for the Negro people.

IN THIS HOUR of crisis and prospect, the Negro people are again moving forward to help our country steer true to the course of progress. Now politically more mature, far better organized, and in closer collaboration with powerful allies, they are in position decisively to influence their own future and that of the nation and the world. And they are measuring up to the responsibility which their growing strength and influence entail.

The current of progressive political action which now runs deep among the Negro people is a vital and worthy extension of the tradition begun by the Negro freedmen of the South some eighty years ago. It is this trend which is so strikingly symbolized by the coming Illinois-Midwest People's Assembly for a Fourth Term for Roosevelt.

Note these statesman-like words in the "Call" to the June 24-25 Assembly, issued by

Coming Negro People's Assembly Revives An Honorable Tradition

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What Prof. Lange Saw in the Soviet Union

(We print the full text of the statement by the Polish Socialist leader, Oscar Lange, made in Chicago last Wednesday upon his return from the USSR. Due to the invasion of France, Lange's important document was played down in most newspapers.)

I went to the USSR at the invitation of the Union of Polish Patriots to visit the Polish Army in the USSR and to inquire into the situation of Poles in that country. I went as a private American citizen.

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WHAT LANGE FOUND

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French Underground Softened Rear for Push

By GLADYS CHASINS
(Allied Labor News)

First in a series of articles on the French underground.
Just one month before Allied troops landed in western Europe, their commanders received the following statement from the French underground:

"As the decisive days are nearing, for which the French people have prepared with fighting spirit and self-sacrifice, the National Resistance Council wishes to assure the Allies that the French people are resolved to take their full part in the great effort toward liberation."

From the reports of sabotage seeping out of France only a few days after the Allied landings, it is clear that this pledge is being fulfilled.

UNITED AGAINST NAZIS

The National Resistance Council, which elects 49 delegates to the Provisional Consultative Assembly in Algiers, is the center of the French underground.

Formed in May, 1943, to coordinate resistance, the Council embraces the Franc-Tireurs et Partisans, Liberation, Ceux de la Resistance and Ceux de la Liberation (active in northern France) and the Franc-Tireurs, Liberation and Combat (active in the south).

Also represented are the General Confederation of Labor (CGT), and the Christian Confederation of Labor (CGTC), and the Socialist, Communist, Radical-Socialist, Popular Democratic, Republican Federation and Democratic Alliance parties.

Even before the formal establishment of the Council, these resistance groups worked in close collaboration, separated geographically rather than politically.

All recruited on a nonpartisan basis. The main program of all groups is unity of all those ready to fight against the German invaders and their collaborators.

In some cases they are led by experienced French army officers, who deserted the collaborationist military force to aid in the liberation of their country.

Indicating the extent of sabotage against the German war machine, a report received in Algiers of underground operations during the three days between Dec. 7 and Dec. 10, 1943, filled seven typewritten pages.

Among the feats listed were train derailments, sabotage of locomotives, bombing of factories and electric power stations. Reports regularly reaching London and Algiers tell also of the destruction of requisitioned fuel and food supplies, and the killing of German officers and men and French quislings.

In several instances, the operation of important rail lines has been suspended for months. Recurring strikes have cut sharply into the production of supplies destined for Germany.

THE UNDERGROUND

The underground is divided roughly into two sections, which might be distinguished by the terms "civilian" and "partisan." The "civilian" underground includes those who continue to hold jobs under the Vichy regime, but slow output by damaging machines and striking.

The partisans are those who have escaped to the mountains or other hiding places and from there conduct operations against the Nazis. Frequently, however, these overlap as in the case of the many peasants who by day go about their regular duties—to meet in their hiding places at night to plan and execute attacks against the enemy.

Among the partisans—who are generally identified by the names Franc-Tireurs or Maquis—are many young men who escaped conscription for work in Germany.

In addition, there are hundreds of thousands who, although not affiliated to any underground organization, demonstrate their hostility to the German invaders by feeding, clothing and hiding those being sought by the Gestapo and by defying the instructions of the Vichy government in their daily lives.

In a report on French public opinion for 1943, Vichy officials admitted: "It is quite exact that nine out of ten Frenchmen are opposed to the government and live and think like echoes of foreign broadcasts. Gaullist and Communist propaganda reach every quarter and the distribution of underground papers is so cleverly managed that they pass through the net of police control."

"The almost unanimous hostility the country feels toward the government has taken the form of systematically blocking the execution of all its decisions; these are not even criticized any more, they are simply ignored. The public is quite convinced that the Allies will win."

(Continued tomorrow)



Nazi supply lines of the Cherbourg Peninsula get their share of Allied bombings as an American Ninth Air Force plane drops its lethal cargo. Aside from bombing missions, thousands of our planes are maintaining a consistent protective umbrella over troops on the French beachheads.

Tax Valuation of Real Estate Drops

Total assessed valuation of taxable real estate and special franchises in New York City shows a decrease of \$165,233,042 for the 1944-1945 fiscal year, William Wirt Mills, president of the Tax Commission, announced yesterday in a report to Mayor LaGuardia.

But despite this drop, the Mayor has estimated he will meet a budget of \$737,400,923 with a greatly reduced tax rate, at least 10 and perhaps 12 points lower than last year. Assessed value of all taxable real estate and special franchises now totals \$15,845,991,014. This compares with the 1943-1944 figure of \$16,011,224,056.

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WASHINGTON, June 11—

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Aboard the raft, Fernandez saw two Negroes clinging to a log exhausted. He swam out again and brought both to safety. After planes sent a destroyer to the rescue, Fernandez performed a third act of heroism. Already aboard the destroyer, he went overboard to save a soldier who had slipped off the raft trying to board the vessel.



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Italy Gov't Asks Greater Role For Its Army in Liberation

The Italian government has requested that the Allies assign a greater part in the war for Italy's liberation to the Italian armed forces, according to an article in Saturday's L'Unita del Popolo here. Mario Palermo, Communist under-secretary of war relates in the same paper democratic changes now taking place in the Italian army.

1. Identical food rations are now issued to men and officers alike.
2. All soldiers and officers are now guaranteed freedom of political conviction.
3. Militiamen who have served fascism are being expelled from their local dictatorial positions.

WANT ARMY OF PEOPLE

"Our army must be national, democratic and anti-fascist," Palermo said on May 21 in an interview with Unita, Naples Communist newspaper. "It is indispensable that it be close to the people, and that the people see their reflection in their army."

Simultaneous with the purging of fascists from the army, the Italian government is undertaking the purging of fascists from all public posts, the same issue of Unita reveals.

The people are fully represented on the tribunals responsible for this purge. The Communist and Socialist Parties have gotten together to prepare lists of fascists who should be brought to judgment.

Each district court has a judge and seven members, chosen preferentially from among proven anti-fascists who have been persecuted by fascism.

The government has already published a list of convicted fascists, which includes 80 fascist functionaries and 48 professors, including Paolo Orano, philosopher who found the "basis" for Mussolini's "racial laws."

Aided Soldiers

WASHINGTON, June 11 (UP).—

The American Red Cross revealed tonight that more than \$29,000,000 of the \$218,387,339 raised in its first and second War Fund campaigns had been spent in providing personal assistance to men and women in the Armed Forces in camps at home and overseas.

'Good and Firm'

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS,

Allied Expeditionary Force, June 11 (UP).—Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, Commander-in-Chief of the British invasion armies, asserted today that the Allies have "secured a good and firm" foothold in France and now are in a position to exploit their success.

"Much still remains to be done, but together, you and I, we will do it, and we will see the thing through to the end," he said in a congratulatory message to the British 21st Army Group.



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NEGRO SALUTE to the Fighting Jews of Europe. Teddy Wilson and band, Mary Lou Williams, Billy Holiday, Lola Hayes, Josh White, Canada Lee, Aubrey Pankey, Muriel Smith, Glenn Bryant, Luther Saxon, Bonds and Cook, Wilma Gray and others. Also Meyer Levin, Doris Miller. Scroll Presentation. Town Hall, 123 W. 43rd St., Monday, June 19th. Aup.: Amer. Comm. Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists. Tickets \$1.50 to \$3.50 available at Shula 4350, 55 W. 42nd St.; Music Room, 129 W. 44th; Jefferson School Book Shop, People's Voice and Modern Book Shop, 216 Halsey St., Newark, N. J.

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Veteran's Aid

By WORLD WAR II VET

Discharged veterans of the present war are entering industry at the rate of 70,000 a month with the majority going into war industry, reports the Office of War Information. The report is based on data from the United States Employment Service of the War Manpower Commission, the Veterans' Administration, Selective Service, Army, Navy and the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Training of the Federal Security Agency.

More than 74,000 vets were placed in civilian jobs in February and March, 1944, by USES, the reports says. Most are seeking jobs different from those held before entering service. Only 25 percent of the vets discharged through hospitals since May, 1940, have returned to former jobs.

As of March 31, 1944, the Veterans Administration carried 118,839 vets of the present war on its disability rolls. The basis rights of an honorably discharged vet, or a vet discharged from the armed service under honorable conditions, remain the same, the report said. They are: the veteran's right to his old job if he wants it and applies for it; the right to medical care, disability pensions and vocational rehabilitation training, and the right to assistance in obtaining a new job.

In a study of 109 discharged servicemen, the War Manpower Commission determined that a 30 percent disability is most common among those in training.

News of the invasion has sparked our soldiers with the result that greater numbers are applying for transfer to the Infantry, often called the queen of battles. Even before the big push, the War Department reported excellent response. More than 200 enlisted men were voluntarily applying daily for transfer to the Infantry as a result of the department's ruling that enlisted men under 32 in all arms and services of the Army on duty with continental United States may request transfers. In a comparatively short time 2,000 men have been processed and approved.

Mayor LaGuardia in one of his radio broadcasts told veterans not to retain lawyers in getting old jobs back. The law provides that the United States Attorney act as lawyer for discharged vets in getting former jobs, he said. Veterans who retained lawyers got their money back after the U. S. Attorney checked the case. So go to the U. S. Attorney, advises the Mayor. Many unions have won jobs back for their members.

Hollywood has nothing on the War Department which has determined the composite soldier. He is five feet eight inches tall, weighs 144 pounds, has a chest measurement of 33 three-quarters inches, a 31 inch waistline, wears a 9 and a half-D shoe, and a size seven hat.

After a few months in the Army, however, our hero puts on a little weight, wears shoes one-half size larger and has an expanded chest measurement. . . . The Quartermaster Corps has had to produce a large, improved money belt to fit British money. . . .

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Moreschi Gang Beaten In Washington Local

WASHINGTON, June 11.—The entire slate of the rank and file committee of Local 74, AFL Hodcarriers Building and Common Laborers Union was elected in an overwhelming victory in a court-supervised election here yesterday.

The election climaxes a year and a half struggle to clean out dictatorial, dishonest leadership. Most defeated candidates are under federal indictment for mishandling funds in connection with charges involving also President Joseph V. Moreschi and other international officers. They were swept out of office by the largest vote ever cast in the local's history.

This is the third local victory against the Moreschi machine. Newburgh, N. Y., Local 17 and Sandhog

Local 147 of New York City won democracy earlier. The three are shaking the foundations of Moreschi's 35-year dictatorship.

This is a defeat for the Woll-Hutcheson-Dubinsky clique in the AFL. Moreschi has consistently swung his union's large bloc of votes behind their reactionary policies.

Elected were: William Shields, president; Bennie L. Betha, vice-president; James Walters, recording secretary; Frank William, financial secretary - treasurer; Thomas Waller, sergeant-at-arms.

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Negro Freedom Parade Sunday

The Inter-Faith Committee of the Negro Freedom Rally has dedicated Sunday, June 18, as Negro Freedom Sunday, and in a letter addressed to 1,500 ministers of all faiths, has asked them to make this occasion for "special prayers and sermons for the freedom to which the people of the world aspire."

The Negro Freedom Rally Committee is conducting a march for victory on the same day. In the line of march will be Sgt. Frank E. Wallace, 15th Regiment, N. Y. State Guard, as Grand Marshal, the cast of "New World A-Coming," the Girl Scouts, and numerous religious, civic, and fraternal, and labor groups. The parade will begin at 127th St., east of Lenox Avenue.



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Some Belated Words
On John L. Sullivan

Nat Low

The recent interview we had with Pat Cush, the grand old veteran of the American people's movement, brought to mind something we had been thinking of for some time.

You'll remember we interviewed Pat at the Communist convention some weeks ago and discovered that he had seen the legendary John L. Sullivan fight in Pittsburgh in 1884. Pat is of the opinion that John L. was the greatest heavyweight champion of all time and is likewise of the opinion that "Gentleman Jim Corbett," the much ballyhooed Fancy Dan, couldn't have carried John L.'s glove if the two had met under equal circumstances.

"Corbett was always over-rated," Pat claims, "and when he beat Sullivan for the title he beat a man who had not been in condition to fight anybody."

Which brings us to the point we'd like to make. Some year or two ago Hollywood produced a picture called "Gentleman Jim" which purported to be the life story, in and out of the ring, of Jim Corbett.

In the picture Corbett (played by that dashing hero Errol Flynn) beat Sullivan for the title. Up to this point the story is authentic. The records show that Corbett did beat Sullivan to win the heavyweight championship of the world.

But in making their hero Corbett, Hollywood, in its most infantile manner, had to picture Sullivan as a stumbling, inept, stupid fighter who simply rushed like a bull from one side of the ring to the other swinging madly, unscientifically and ineffectually.

Of course, this characterization of Sullivan was utterly uncalled for and made a farce of the whole picture besides distorting a very important episode in sporting history.

For one thing, how great could Corbett have been if he beat somebody as incredibly stupid and bad as Sullivan? The purpose of the picture, ostensibly, was to portray Corbett's greatness.

If this was the aim of the film, it failed completely. Real heroes meet and defeat real foes. Otherwise how can one be called great?

Actually that whole fight sequence was full of malarkey. While it is true that John L. did rely a great deal upon the sheer power of his blows, it is, nevertheless, an historical fact that the man was cagy, ringwise and formidable. Indeed, Sullivan happens to be one of the very greatest fighters the world has ever produced. He was atop the heap for close to a dozen years. He beat the best men of many countries. He took on all comers without fear.

He was a real champion and more than once proved his boast, "I can lick any man in the world."

From the Hollywood film, one never would have known this. And as for Corbett's stature, he wasn't even as big as Flekel of Mike Singer's inimitable gang. At least Flekel's foes are formidable.

The Adventures OF Richard

Introducing 'Vinegar'

By Mike Singer

Movie directors have their yes-men. Baseball teams have bat boys. Sinatra has his bobby-sox brigade. And the gang has its Vinegar. Six years old, two inches taller than a bat, Vinegar loves No-Nose. He worships Richard. He adores Me-

worships Richard. He adores Me- until Richard, who was posing as a nash. And when Flekel had a toothache, Vinegar walked around with excruciating pain.

The gang uses Vinegar to run upstairs and bring down water when they're thirsty. They make him bring down his water-spouting machinegun when they're bored. They borrow his indoor baseball, use his chalk for scoring and read all his funnies.

No Johnson ever had a more faithful Boswell. His faith is bottomless, his hopes eternal. Through butt and sneer and smirk and disdain Vinegar has never wilted, never faltered. The gang lost. So what, they'll win tomorrow? The gang won. Sure, ain't they the champs. That's Vinegar.

Yesterday Vinegar trotted behind No-Nose who was doing an errand for his mother. "Can I walk with you?" Vinegar pleaded. "Sure, kid, you can carry de bundles," No-Nose assented.

Half an hour later a queer sight ambled down the street. A huge bundle hid Vinegar from his belt up. No-Nose was holding Vinegar by the shoulders and steering him past fire-pumps, baby carriages and pedestrians. Once he held Vinegar

until Richard, who was posing as a "red light," had changed to "green." Vinegar was tired. His arms were coming off. But the kids were cheering him on. "Only two more houses," Richard urged, "C'mon Vinegar, keep going."

"Don't crack now Vinegar, you can't let us down," Flekel pleaded. And Vinegar tottered on and on until Menash grabbed the bundle and yelled: "Yea, Vinegar wins."

Vinegar was puffing and red-faced but thrilled. "Kin I play witchya now, kin I?" he begged.

Richard patted him on the head like a man with a straight-jacket coaxing his patient to remember he's Napoleon. "Sure, Vinegar, you can play. But you're on the second team."

"Butcha only got one team," Vinegar pointed out.

Flekel solved the impasse. "You can sit on the curb wid us, how's dat?"

That clinched it. Sitting on the curb with the gang is like having a seat for Oklahoma or even having been in the same room with the Big 3 at Teheran.

"Ok?" Richard asked.

"Ok," Vinegar replied.

"Now carry these bundles upstairs," No-Nose ordered.

Giants, Dodgers Win Openers; Yanks Drop First

The New York Giants and the Brooklyn Dodgers, closer than the two clock hands at 5 minutes to 11 in their fight for fourth place, maintained their close standing yesterday following their victories in the first half of twin bills affairs against the Philadelphia Jays in the Polo Grounds, and the Boston Braves in Ebbets Field.

The Giants in fourth place, a scant half-game in front of the Flatbushers, hung on to their first division status as they beat the Freddie Fitzsimmons fellows for the first time this season, 6-5 coming from behind to stage a four-run rally in the last half of the ninth.

Over in Ebbets Field, Rube Melton indicated that his return to form is somewhat of a durable nature by limiting the seventh-slot Boston crew with 4 runs and 5 hits, while his teammates collected 5 runs and 3 hits off Javary.

Meanwhile, in Boston, the New York Yankees continued on their downward descent, losing out 2-1 to the Red Sox in the opener, and they may find themselves in fourth place in the standings this morning, if the Detroit Tigers sweep the twin bill from the Chicago White Sox and if the Red Sox take the second encounter.

The Giants won in their 1944 style, with a lot of pitchers and a lot of homeruns. Mel Ott, who threw 22 men into the fracas, numbered among them hurlers Pyle, Adams, Poll, Seward and Voiselle, with Voiselle being credited with the win. Trailing 5-1, coming into the last half of the eighth, the New Yorkers opened their four-bagger barrage. Ducky Medwick, slapped one out into the left field stands. He was followed by Phil Weintraub, who did likewise. Then Billy Jurge, with one on, slapped out another homer, tying the score at 4-all. In the ninth, Nap Reyes came through with another game-winning, run-scoring single.

RADIO

WMCA-570 Kc. WJZ-770 Kc. WNYC-830 Kc. WABC-880 Kc. WINS-1000 Kc. WJZ-1100 Kc. WJZ-1150 Kc. WJZ-1200 Kc. WJZ-1250 Kc. WJZ-1300 Kc. WJZ-1350 Kc. WJZ-1400 Kc. WJZ-1450 Kc. WJZ-1500 Kc.

11 A.M. TO NOON

11:00-WEAF-Road to Life
WOR-News-Two Harper
WJZ-Breakfast With Breneman
WABC-Honeydew Hill
11:05-WEAF-Vic and Sade
WOR-Jimmy Fidler-Talk
WABC-Second Husband
11:30-WEAF-Brave Tomorrow
WJZ-Quis Vitar
WJZ-News: 11 by Institute
WABC-Bright Horizon
WMCA-News: Recorded Music
WQXR-Concert Music
11:45-WEAF-David Harum
WOR-What's Your Idea?
WABC-Aunt Jenny's Stories
11:55-WQXR-News: Luncheon Music

NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00-WEAF-News: Music
WJZ-Talk-Edith E. Lowrey
WABC-News: Kate Smith's Chat
12:15-WOR-Jerry Wayne Songs
WJZ-Correspondents Abroad
WABC-Big Sister
12:25-WJZ-News: Farm-Home Hour
12:30-WEAF-U. S. Navy Band
WOR-News: Juke Box Music
WABC-Helen Trent
12:45-WABC-Our Gal Sunday
1:00-WEAF-Mary Margaret McBride
WOR-News: Jack Herch. Songs
WJZ-H. R. Baukage, News
WABC-Life Can Be Beautiful
1:15-WJZ-Woman's Exchange Show
WABC-Ma Perkins
1:30-WOR-Lopes Orchestra
WABC-Bernardine Flynn, News
1:45-WEAF-Morgan Beatty, News
WJZ-Little Jack Little, Songs
WABC-The Goldbergs

2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

2:00-WEAF-The Guiding Light
WOR-Talk-Martha Deane
WJZ-News: Walter Kiernan
WABC-Portia Faces Life
2:15-WEAF-Today's Children
WJZ-The Mystery Chef
WABC-Joyce Jordan
2:30-WEAF-Women in White
WOR-News: Consumer Quis
WJZ-Ed East and Polly
WABC-Young Dr. Malone
2:45-WEAF-Hymns of All Churches
WABC-Perry Mason
3:00-WEAF-The Black Castle
WOR-The Black Castle
WJZ-Morton Downey, Songs
WABC-Mary Marlin
3:15-WEAF-Ma Perkins
WOR-Sunny Skylar, Songs
WJZ-Hollywood Star Time
WABC-News: Bob Trout
3:30-WEAF-Pepper Young

B-Day in Support of D-Day Sports World Ready For 5th Bond Drive

By Phil Gordon

In support of D-Day New York's sports fans have completed preparations for B-Day. The bond campaign in New York City to raise more than \$20,000,000—part of the Fifth War Loan drive, which carries the highest quota in the history of the world—opens today and will continue for four weeks.

The fans have been briefed. They are anxious and prepared to go over the top. The high points of the campaign have been mapped out. The beachhead points have been selected, and the dates for the big pushes have been announced.

The first big break-through, coded as "Sports Carnival," will take place at the Polo Grounds on Saturday night, June 17. The hour is 7:00 p. m. For action, there will be a steady bombardment of a basketball game, a mixed doubled tennis match, a soccer match, a golfing exhibition; followed by baseball, track and boxing.

Those participating in B-Day activities will not need K-rations, Z-rations, inoculations. Just Bonds \$25 and up. That's the weapon, designated as Series E, F or G War Bonds. They may be obtained for the Carnival and Baseball encounters at the War Finance Committee office, 1270 Sixth Avenue Room 2722. Other distribution points include bond booths in various hotels, restaurants and other key locations in the city. Bond (weapon) admission tickets for the Aqueduct event will go on sale sometime next week.

In the Carnival, in the first basketball game to be played in a baseball park, an All-Service squadron, led by Lt. (j.g.) Gar Griffith, USCG, and manned by such court luminaries as Harry Boykoff, Dutch Garfinkel, Sonny Hertzberg and Bob Dorn, will oppose an LIU All-Service battalion, commanded by Lt. Com. Clair Bee and manned by former stars of the Brooklyn college, including Ma-

rius Russo, Art Hillhouse, Bill King Sy Lobello, Stan Waxman. Tennis will see Alice Marble, Mary Hardwick, Vincent Richards and Francis T. Hunter participate in a mixed doubles match on a court laid out between second and third bases. There'll be a short-stop between sets.

Then, on June 26 absolutely, for the first and last time on earth (or any other place), the New York Giants will play the New York Yankees, the Yankees will play the Brooklyn Dodgers, and the Dodgers will play the Giants AT THE VERY SAME TIME. In the execution of this unique stunt, the teams will each bat and field six times, rotating their turns at bat and in the field, with one team on the bench in each half of an inning.

The fans are ready! The Fifth War Bond Drive is on!

It's B-Day! Let's go... right over the top!

Seems Cards Never Read Shakespeare

It has been established definitely that Bill Shakespeare of Stratford did not have the St. Louis Cardinals in mind when he gave out with the philosophical thought that "the quality of mercy is not strained" for it dropped Saturday in Cincinnati like an ungentle bombardment of base hits. In short, the rough lads from St. Louis pummeled the hapless and helpless Reds with 21 hits, and recorded an 18-0 shutout, the most lop-sided shutout in the National League in the past 38 years.

Radio Concerts

6:15-6:30 P.M., WABC (also FM)—Vera Brodsky, pianist, and the Lyn Murray chorus and orchestra
6:15-6:30 P.M., WLIR—Great Classics
7:05-8 P.M., WNYC (also FM)—Masterwork Hour
8-9 P.M., WQXR (also FM)—Symphony Hall

8:30-9 P.M., WEAF (also FM)—Rose Hampton, soprano, and orchestra conducted by Howard Barlow
9-9:30 P.M., WEAF (also FM)—Robert Casadesu, pianist, and the Voorhees Orchestra
9-9:30 P.M., WNYC (also FM)—Concert Hall presents the Jascha Heifetz String Quartet

WOR—Dr. Eddy's Food Forum
WJZ—Appointment With Life
WABC—New and Forever
3:45-WEAF—Right to Happiness
WABC—The Jubalaires, Songs
4:00-WEAF—Backstage Wife
WOR—Talk—John Gambling
WJZ—Ethel and Albert
WABC—Broadway Matinee

4:15-WEAF—Stella Dallas
WJZ—Don Norman Show
4:25-WABC—News: Recorded Music
4:30-WEAF—Lorenzo Jones—Sketch
WOR—Stanley Orchestra; Annette Burford, Bart Palmer, Songs
WJZ—News: Westbrook Van Voorhis

4:45-WEAF—Young Wilder Brown
WJZ—Sea Hound
WABC—Scott Orchestra
5:00-WEAF—When a Girl Marries
WOR—Uncle Don
WJZ—Terry and the Pirates
WABC—Eddie Dunn Show

5:15-WEAF—We Love and Learn
WJZ—Chick Carter
5:30-WEAF—Just Plain Bill
WOR—Adventures of Tom Mix
WJZ—Jack Armstrong
WABC—The Three Sisters, Songs

5:45-WEAF—Front Page Ferrell
WOR—Superman
WJZ—Captain Midnight
WABC—American Women

6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

6:00-WEAF—News Reports
WOR—Sydney Moseley, News
WJZ—News: John B. Kennedy
WABC—Quincy Howe, News
6:15-WEAF—Serenade to America
WOR—Imogen Carpenter, Songs
WJZ—Hop Harrigan

WABC—Arthur Godfrey Show
6:30-WOR—News: Frank Singiser
WJZ—Whose War Is This?
WABC—Arthur Godfrey Show
6:40-WEAF—Sports—Bill Stern
6:45-WEAF—Lowell Thomas

WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax
WJZ—Henry J. Taylor, News
WABC—The World Today—News
6:55-WABC—Joseph C. Harsch, News
7:00-WEAF—Johnny Mercer Show

WOR—Ray Henle, News
WJZ—Horace Heidt Orchestra
WABC—I Love a Mystery
7:15-WEAF—News—Robert St. John
WOR—The Answer Man
WABC—Ed Sullivan Entertains

7:30-WEAF—Roth Orchestra; Chorus
WOR—Louis Sobol Show
WJZ—Lone Ranger
WABC—Blondie
7:45-WEAF—H. V. Kaltenborn, News
8:00-WEAF—Cavalade of America
WOR—Cecil Brown, News
WJZ—News Comments

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Literary Lookout

The Printed Page Challenges the Celluloid Reel in the Fund Drive

By Samuel Putnam

And now, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Literary Persuasion, we come to what is sometimes looked upon as a painful subject, although it shouldn't be in this instance; it ought to be a very pleasant one. As the

Walrus (it was the Walrus, wasn't it?) said to his pals in Lewis Carroll's poem—what was it the Walrus said, anyway? Something about the time has come to talk of many things—

Well the time come for this column to make its annual collection speech; and we're going to ask you to be kind enough not to leave the hall; for we are on to that old one about stepping outside to the water-cooler at this particular point in the program, a "psychologic moment," if there ever was one.

Personally, we never were much good at this business, and we don't seem to improve with age. But that \$125,000 Daily Worker Fund has to be raised, and the Literary Lookout is determined to do its best to help raise it.

Last year, if you recall, we didn't do so badly. Fact of the matter is, we did nobly. Rather, you readers did. You've doubtless mislaid your 1943 score-cards, but I've dug up mine; and I find that we came in second, with a grand total of \$181.85. Dave Platt nosed us out with a comfortable margin of something over \$200.

FILM FRONT CHALLENGED

In connection with the current drive, it occurs to us that it would be a good idea to set a minimum quota; and in view of the fact that we almost topped the \$200 mark last time, which was our first try at it, we feel that our 1944 quota ought

to be \$500. How about it? Will you help us do it?

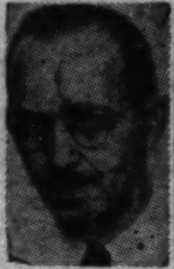
Sounds ambitious, I know, but if it does nothing else, maybe it will put all the other columnists on their mettle. . . . Hey, there, Hollywood playboy (that's Dave Platt we're talking to), what's your bull's-eye this time? We're warning you, your laurels are in danger. The printed page is challenging the celluloid reel!

At this point an idea strikes us—we're subject to them at times. On July 8 this column will be exactly one year old; and July 8 also happens to be Mother Bloor's eighty-second birthday. So why not make this a special occasion and try to have our quota in by that date? And anything that comes in afterwards will be so much gravy.

We might also make this a sort of inter-regional competition: New England, New York, Eastern Pennsylvania, Western Pennsylvania, Ohio; the Mid-West; the South; the Southwest; the Far West, the Northwest, etc. Geographically, that may be a bit hazy, but you get the idea. Let's see which section is the most "lit'ry."

This reporter has not infrequently heard the complaint that our movement in general, and the Daily Worker and The Worker in particular, do not pay sufficient attention to books and literary matters. With the resources (including white paper and available reviewers) at our disposal we have been doing our best to remedy matters this past year, and we hope to do a lot better as time goes on.

If you feel that this effort should be encouraged, here's your chance to show it.



Winsome Jane Wyatt captures one of the most interesting roles of her career with Cary Grant in RKO Radio's screen version of Richard Llewellyn's *None But the Lonely Heart*. She portrays Aggie Hunner, lovely celloist whose love for Grant provides one of two romantic threads in this drama of the London slums.

Book of Nazi Crimes

With the landing of Allied troops on the soil of France, publication of *The Book of Nazi Crimes* is being pushed ahead, the American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists

& Scientists, Inc. has announced. The book, a complete record of Nazi brutalities against the Jews, will be distributed to international statesmen in preparation for the day when proper punishment will be meted out to those guilty of crimes committed against peoples in Nazi-occupied territories, and especially the Jewish people, chief victims of Hitlerite terror.

First of a series of events to finance *The Book of Nazi Crimes* is the *Negro Salute to the Fighting Jews of Europe* at Town Hall on Monday, June 19 at 8:30 p.m., proceeds of which will be used for the publication of the book.

An interesting program has been arranged, with leading Negro artists participating. Feature of the evening will be the presentation of *Dorie Miller* and *Meyer Levin* Scrolls.

The "Salute" is sponsored by sixty leading Negro writers, artists, actors, educators, trade unionists and clergymen, including Paul Robeson, Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, Judge Hubert Delany, Dr. Channing T. Tobias, Langston Hughes, Judge Jane M. Bolin, Dr. L. O. Reddick, Judge Charles E. Tony, Charles A. Collins, and Dr. Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., chairman of the Sponsoring Committee.



THE SIGNAL. A guerilla scout sounds off for the beginning of an attack. Whistling and bird calls are a regular part of guerilla communications technique. Here the scout is photographed by one of the 18 parachute cameramen assigned to go behind the lines and film guerilla operations for the new Soviet documentary *People's Avengers*. It starts Wednesday at the Stanley Theatre.

Red Army Man At RWR Rally

A Red Army or Navy man, and Tony Kraber, popular ballad singer, will head the program of the local RWR rally June 14, 8:30 p. m., at the Mills School, 66 Fifth Ave.

Reports will be given of the overwhelming success of the clothing campaign; RWR "household kits" will be available; new knitting and sewing programs will be planned for the summer (knitting wool is now free); and tickets will be on hand for the big Madison Square Garden rally on June 22, commemorating three years of Soviet resistance against the Nazi invaders.

Admission will be free—the whole community is invited.

Helen Jepson Opens War Bond Drive

Helen Jepson, Metropolitan Opera soprano, will be the featured artist at the opening of the Fifth War Loan Drive at L. Bamberger and Co., Newark, N. J., at 10 a. m. Monday, June 12. Miss Jepson will sing the national anthem, "Mighty Like a Rose" and "The Merry Widow Waltz."

Soviet Musical Film At City Theatre

A gay Soviet musical comedy *Spring Song* filmed in the USSR is now being shown at the City Theatre, 14th St. near Fourth Ave. It is a joyous drama of the great people who preserve the arts of peace in time of war, featuring the music of Handel, Gounod, Bach and Kabelevsky, the Soviet musical wizard.

Also on the same program: Adventures of Tartu, anti-Nazi espionage in Romania and Hungary.

MOTION PICTURES

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ARTKING Presents
A Soviet Documentary War Film
"People's Avengers"
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Irene DUNNE - Alan MARSHAL
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Gala Stage Show - Symphony Orchestra
Picture at 10:15, 1:10, 4:00, 7:30, 10:30
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Extra! New Showing EVE OF INVASION
Last Minute Pictures from England

MOVIES

A Pre-Invasion Newsreel

By EUGENE GORDON

The *Eve of Battle*, official documentary film of preparations to invade Hitler Europe, was made by cameramen under the supervision of the United States and the British governments for showing on and immediately after D-Day. Made in England, the film pictures the concentration of shipping which awaited the invasion start and reveals several facts which, until now, have been held secret. One is the rocket battery fired from vessels.

Despite the fact that many of the shots have been seen in other newsreels *The Eve of Battle* is so put together as to present a highly dramatic and a thoroughly interesting

THE EVE OF BATTLE, photographed by the governments of the United States and Great Britain. At all newsreel theaters.

20-odd minutes of pictorial information. It will serve well in satisfying the desire for such information until pictures of the actual invasion are shown. That, we understand, will be within a few days, several hundred reels having already arrived in New York by plane.

A Real-Life Story of the War

The first film to be completely photographed by any United Nations cameramen behind the enemy lines will open at the Stanley Theatre on Wednesday. The film is *People's Avengers*. It was made by 17 men

and a woman who parachuted into the forest hideouts of Russia's fabulous guerilla brigades and fought with them for months, and returned with a comprehensive factual camera account of one of the greatest real-life adventure stories of the war. The project was carried out with great secrecy and the landings of the camera crews were timed with the precision of a military operation.

Although the lensmen survived the dangers they shared with their hosts, two of them were killed while making their ways back to the Russian lines. Among those who participated in the numerous visits to the guerilla regions were Stalin Prize-winner Vasil Belyav and Dmitri Astradantsev, composer who prepared the musical score.

Stage Door Canteen Reopens June 20

The original American Theatre Wing Stage Door Canteen at 224 W. 44th St. will reopen at the regular hour of 5 p. m. on Tuesday, June 20. The theatre's hospitality center for soldiers of the United Nations has been closed down since May 7 for reconditioning.

Repairs were extensive, involving structural changes, which will enlarge the capacity of the canteen by several hundred. It is estimated. There will be great improvement in kitchen facilities, two dressing rooms instead of one, the nurse's "sick-bay." And, for the first time, the canteen will have a "green room," where incoming acts can gather and stow instruments while waiting for a turn at the dressing rooms.

Late Bulletins

Coast Guard Taxies to France

By E. L. GARNER

Coast Guard Combat Correspondent for the Combined American Press Distributed by the United Press

ABOARD A COAST GUARD CUTTER IN THE ENGLISH CHANNEL, June 11 (UP).—Speedy Coast Guard cutters plying the English Channel are taxiing generals and admirals to points along the coast of invasion-bound France, have rescued over 700 men, and are towing crafts of many types onto the beaches.

Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery and Rear Adm. Philip Vian were recently transported by the cutter known as the "SNAFU," commanded by Ensign John K. Mallard, CG, of Norfolk, Va. to a conference with

Gen. Dwight Eisenhower.

On another occasion, Rear Adm. Vian used the cutter fondly called by her crew "The Seductive Suzy" as a taxi to a conference with Gen. Montgomery. The wheelhouse of the "Suzy" was bombed and strafed during her initial landing in France.

"Sweetie Pie," the cutter which rescued a number of men from a mined ship, has a reclining Varga girl stationed just below the bridge.

"Jiggs," a cutter named for the comic strip character, recently moored alongside a sinking craft while her crew heroically carried fifteen unconscious sailors aboard her from the doomed ship.

Eaker 'Proud' of Shuttle Partnership

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Naples, June 11 (UP).—Lt. Gen. Ira C. Eaker, Allied Air Commander in the Mediterranean, who accompanied the first shuttle flight to the Soviet Union said today upon his return here:

"The Russians have worked closely with us in selection of our current and future targets. I hope they will be as pleased with this new partnership as we are proud and honored to belong to it."

50 Armed Danes Wreck Nazi Plant

Danish patriots have destroyed a German airplane parts plant near Copenhagen, the Stockholm newspaper Svenska Dagbladet said in an article reported by the OWI yesterday.

The article said that 50 saboteurs stormed into the factory Thursday night, and after a 20-minute gun battle, set off four heavy bombs, killing two guards and severely wounding three.

French Patriots Rock Countryside

LONDON, June 11 (UP).—Thousands of French patriots have broken open their stores of explosives and are rocking the country behind the battle zone, resistance leaders disclosed today.

Unconfirmed reports reaching London said that there had been clashes between roving bands of organized underground forces and Germans, particularly in the Savoy region. An Algiers report from the French Commissariat of the Interior, said that the western Alpine city of Grenoble had been isolated for the past two days by French forces which control communications to and from the town.

Pro-Nazi Bonnet Expelled by His Party

ALGERS, June 12 (UP).—A congress of the Radical-Socialist Party voted today to expel from the party Georges Bonnet and Camille Chautemps, three times prime minister of France, who have been living in Washington since 1940.

(Bonnet, French foreign minister under Daladier, was a key figure in negotiation of the Munich pact. Chautemps, who followed Leon Blum as Premier, led the attack on Communists which ruptured the French Popular Front and prepared the way for France's betrayal.)

The congress also expelled Lucien La Moureux, former finance minister; Jean Mistler, former minister of education, and Albert Chicerly, deputy and vice president of the party. It was believed the latter were ousted because of purported Vichy affiliations.

Chinese Take Lungling, Key to India

CHUNGKING, June 11 (UP).—Chinese troops have captured Lungling, main enemy base on the Burma Road in Yunnan Province, in a major step toward opening a land supply route from India to China, a Chinese communique announced today.

Hand-to-Hand Fighting Rages in Carentan

WITH AMERICAN FORCES OVERLOOKING CARENTAN, June 11 (UP).—Hand-to-hand fighting has been raging for hours in the outskirts of Carentan. German paratroopers have turned down an ultimatum to surrender and they continue to fight back from behind concrete pill-boxes.

American boys and tanks to the northwest have crossed the Merderet River in a spectacular victory in the face of fire from everything the Germans could throw at them. They have driven on to the north in an advance which the Germans failed to halt with their rocket launchers.

Illinois-Indiana CPA Organized

CHICAGO, June 11. — The Communist Political Association of Illinois-Indiana was organized here last night following the dissolution of the Communist Party.

Four hundred enthusiastic delegates, alternates and visitors jammed the ballroom at the Mid-

land Hotel, as the Illinois-Indiana Communists acted unanimously at a constitutional convention.

Resolutions making the changes were introduced by Morris Childs, leader of the Illinois-Indiana delegation to the national convention of the CPA in New York last month.

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Line forms on the right as CIO Furriers Joint Council takes applications from members ready to back the attack with new gifts of blood. Hundreds answered a first appeal and the union, working with the Red Cross, is arranging appointments to see that all dates are kept and the life-saving plasma reaches our fighting men.

Week-Long Soviet Celebrations Toast Friendship With U. S.

By JOHN GIBBONS

Special to the Daily Worker

MOSCOW, June 11.—This week here has been a landmark of Soviet-American friendship. On the front page of all newspapers today, in the proudest place, is a summary of American lend-lease shipments from Oct. 1, 1941 until April, 1944.

The opening of the second front, the presence of U. S. pilots and planes on Soviet airbases, the visit of Vice-President Henry Wallace to Siberia, and of Eric Johnston to Moscow, plus the celebrations throughout the week of the second anniversary of the Soviet-American agreement—all contributed to making this an unforgettable moment.

Saturday, Foreign Commissar Molotov and U. S. Ambassador W. Averell Harriman exchanged warm greetings at an anniversary luncheon given by Molotov. Guests included Johnston, Maj.-Gen. John R. Dean, chief, U. S. military mission, Assistant Foreign Commissar Andrei Vishinsky and Maxim Litvinov.

"That evening I attended a gathering at which American and British newspapermen met and talked with leading Soviet writers and journalists. Ilya Ehrenburg, Nikolai Tikhonov and staff correspondents of Pravda, Izvestia and Red Star mingled with their American and British colleagues.

They exchanged experiences with the same gusto

and enthusiasm that characterizes the interchange between Soviet and American airmen at the shuttle bases.

ADMIRE OUR MACHINES

Apart from these more or less official manifestations of friendship between the two countries, there is a genuine all-around admiration which people here have for the American machines now seen everywhere in Russia.

The Russian fighter pilots like the Aerocobra; while Army drivers swear by the ubiquitous jeep and Studebaker.

I think that every American worker in an airplane or automobile factory can be mighty proud of the fact that the product of his labor is held in the highest esteem by the men of the Red Army.

When I was in the Crimea recently, watching lend-lease trucks pull out after the Sevastopol victory, a Red Army officer said to me: "Look at them—every one of them an ambassador of Soviet-American friendship."

An exhibition devoted to American bombers at the shuttle bases will be opened tomorrow (Monday) afternoon by VOKs, the Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries. Over one hundred photographs will be shown.

The people here hope that the war has entered its final phase, and they are talking more about the postwar world. Their earnest wish is that the friendship being cemented in blood will grow ever more close in the future days of peace.

PAC Appoints Negro To Tri-State Post

COLUMBUS, O., June 11 (FP).—

Paul Shearer, Negro war worker in the Curtiss-Wright Aircraft Corp. here, has been appointed field representative of the CIO Political Action Committee in charge of work among Negro voters in Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky.

Announcing Shearer's appoint-

ment, Regional Director Jack Kroll said:

"Negro citizens are going to be for President Roosevelt in 1944 just as they were in 1940. They also realize that the CIO is the only large labor group in America which has put up a consistent fight against racial discrimination and economic injustice. All our committee has to do is to get the message of CIO-PAC to our colored voters and help them get registered. This will be Bro. Shearer's job."

Proud of Record, Says Mayor Kelly

CHICAGO, June 11.—Mayor Ed-

ward J. Kelly, slated to be Illinois member of the resolutions committee at the Democratic national convention, declared today that if he has his way the party's platform will be an aggressive, fighting endorsement of President Roosevelt's whole record.

PINKY RANKIN

PINKY, WOUNDED, GIVES HIS CAMERA TO ONE OF THE COMMANDOS, WHO IS SHORTLY AFTER BLOWN TO BITS. AS THE BODY LIES THERE, THE CAMERA STILL ON THE CHEST.

YEAH--WHEN SOME BLOKES GO TO PIECES, YOU CAN'T FIND OUT WHO THEY WERE. AT LEAST THAT CAMERA IDENTIFIES THAT MESS.



IF IT WEREN'T FOR HIM, WE WOULDN'T HAVE THAT OLD SCIENTIST--EVEN IF HE IS CRAZY.



I'LL STAY HERE TILL IT ALL BLOWS OVER..

